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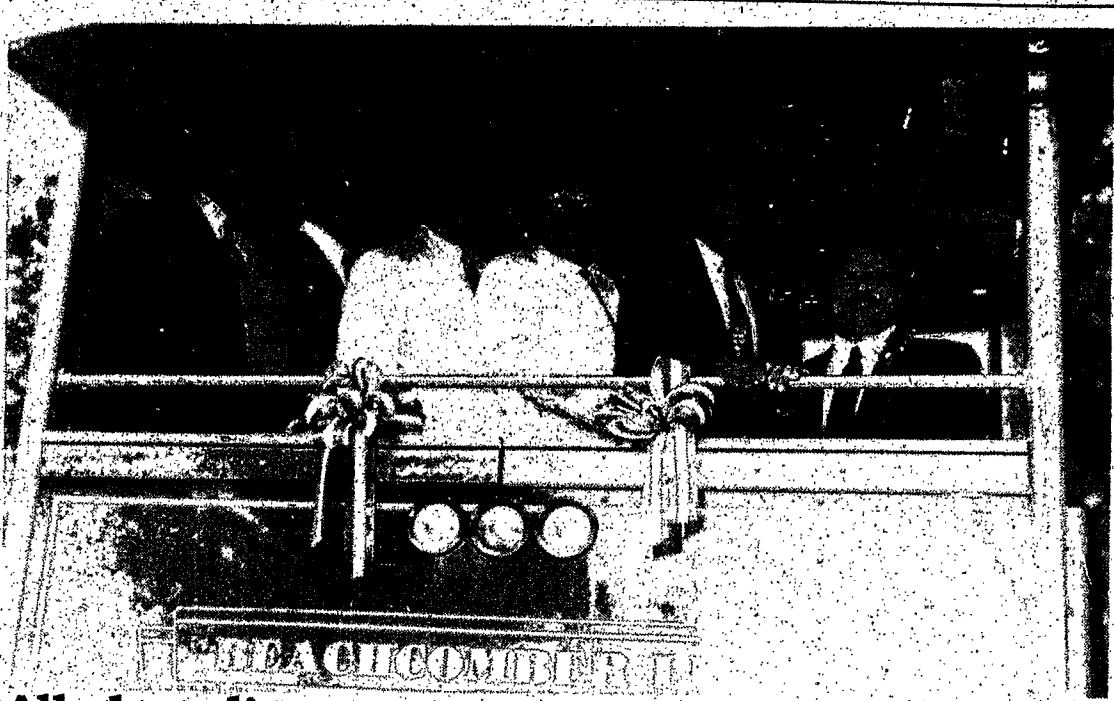
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### All aboard!

Bay St. Louis officials board the city beach trolley for transportation to inauguration ceremonies at City Hall Saturday. From left, councilman-at-large, James J. "Jimmy" Rutherford; councilmen Tad Black (Ward 4), Charles C. Scianna (Ward 1), Thomas "Tom" Farve (Ward 3), James C. "Jim" Thriffley III (Ward 2), and Mayor Edward Favre. (Echo staff photo by Jacquie Cochran)

## BSL recycles 16.68 tons

**BY DAVID A. FARRELL**  
Penny Penrose, executive director of Gulf Coast Recycling, told the Bay St. Louis City Council on Tuesday night that residents here recycled 16.68 tons of household waste during May, the latest figures available.

*"We are very pleased with the spirit of participation here."*  
—Penrose

She said that overall the program is going well, but the figures of households served might be a little inflated because some residents have withdrawn from the program by turning in their plastic bins to the city but not notifying Gulf Coast Recycling.

She told councilmen 225 households have been added to the program since it began in

April. Gulf Coast Recycling is a non-profit, community-based recycling economic development program, and Bay St. Louis is the only city along the Gulf Coast that is sponsoring such a curbside recycling program. Other programs are handled by the garbage hauling firms themselves. Gulf Coast contracts with the city on a flat fee basis.

Penrose said that potentially there are about 600 other households that should be on the program. "We want to be able to get them on-line and also a list of businesses," she added.

"We are very pleased with the spirit of participation here," she said.

The program accepts newspapers, metal beverage and food cans, plastic soft drink bottles, colored glass and has recently added white milk jugs.

### TAXI CABS

In other business, the council

discussed problems concerning the taxi cab firms operating

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## POA permits road use for casino construction

**BY DAVID A. FARRELL**  
Diamondhead Property Owners' Association (POA) Executive Director Paul Montjoy told residents on Friday agreements allow Europa Cruises to use Diamondhead roads for one year, or longer, during construction of a major casino complex near Diamondhead.

Montjoy's comments came at a POA public meeting at Dia-

mondhead Country Club, called to inform residents about the planned construction of Casino World through a Europa subsidiary, Mississippi Gaming Corp. of Pensacola, Fla.

About 500 residents crowded into the club to listen and ask questions.

Montjoy said the main roads the casino can use during construction are Diamondhead Drive South, Yacht Club Circle

and Gex Drive.

He said agreements call for the casino to construct an alternate access route to Gex Drive South, which will not use Diamondhead roads when construction of the casino is completed.

However, he said casino-bound traffic would clearly use the Diamondhead exit on I-10.

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## ARMS initiative directed at ammo plant utilization

**BY LIZ HAAS**

Representatives of the Army, the government and the Small Business Association discussed a new initiative that will provide federal funding to encourage the use of idle capacity at ammunition plants Thursday at John C. Stennis Space Center.

"We need to protect the infrastructure and preserve places like this one for mobilization,"

said Rand Fishbein, a professional staff member with the Sub-committee on Defense of the U.S. Senate Appropriations Committee.

He said, "We need to preserve the skills of the workers to have them available for mobilization and give them meaningful employment."

The visit was to promote awareness of the Armament Retooling and Manufacturing

Support Initiative, an act of Congress passed as part of the 1993 defense budget.

The ARMS initiative is designed to encourage facility contractors at the government-owned contractor-operated ammunition industrial facilities to use and market idle capacity for other work, both government

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## Jaws of Life

### Waveland firemen seek funds for rescue tool

**BY DAVID A. FARRELL**  
Tossing \$10 into the Waveland fireman's bucket, a motorist related how the life of his relative was saved by a Jaws of Life in an automobile accident.

Fire Chief David A. Garcia said members of his department were asking for donations at a traffic stop to help purchase a new rescue tool.

Garcia said if residents realized the importance of the tool and how it saves lives, their fund-raising drive might be going a little better.

And, he added, the department is attempting to raise money through donations from individuals and businesses so that tax monies won't have to be used for the purchase.

"The drive is going a little slower than expected," Garcia said, adding his department plans other efforts to help collect the \$8,000 needed to purchase the equipment.

The Jaws of Life is a tool used by rescuers to extricate victims, mainly from motor vehicles, trapped in accident situations, and is composed of a prizing tool and a compressor and motor to power the apparatus.

Garcia said that a new Jaws is needed because the current tool is over 15 years old and, in some instances, breaks down when being used in emergency situations.

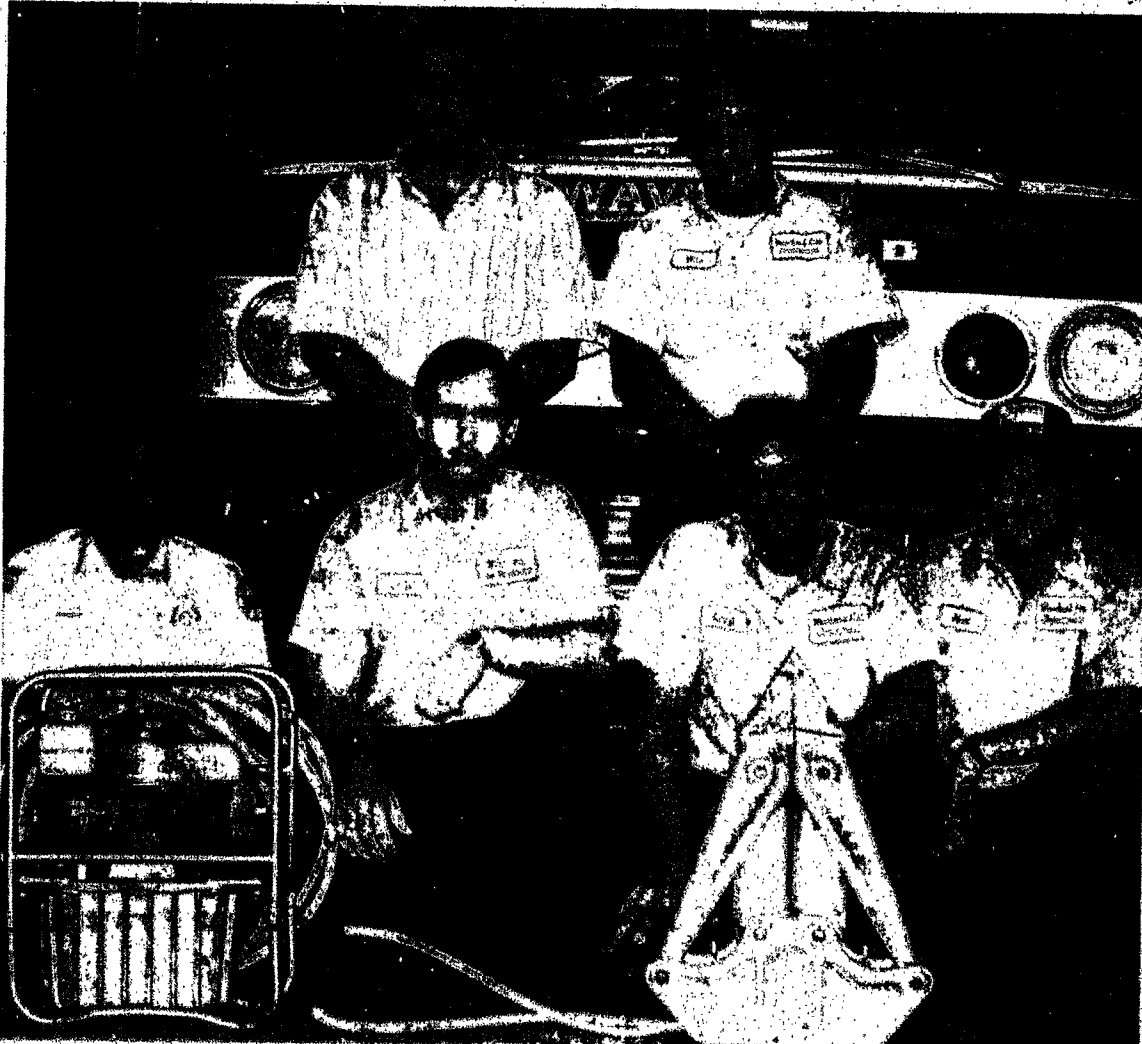
In addition, he said the tool is being used more often now because of the added traffic

and accompanying increase in motor vehicle accidents associated with the recent growth of the Bay St. Louis-Waveland area.

While the main service area for the fire department here is Waveland, the department

answers rescue calls with the Jaws from a much greater ser-

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From left with Jaws: Chief David Garcia, Asst. Chief Steve Garber and Firemen Robert Pino, Lt. Mike Smith, Kenny Jones and Matt Whitman.

## Funds contract cancelled by Bayside Fire Dept.

**BY DAVID A. FARRELL**  
A contract with a Gulfport-based company soliciting funds for the Bayside Volunteer Fire Department has been cancelled after the company reportedly misrepresented information about some of Hancock County's volunteer fire departments, according to Hancock Fire Marshal Richard Pate.

Pate is coordinator for the county's volunteer departments.

Pate said he had received information that the company had made inaccurate comments concerning the Bayside and Diamondhead departments, and was also soliciting funds outside the Bayside service area.

"It was just a gross misuse of information," said Pate. "The

comments about the fire departments being inadequate is completely false. We have some of the best trained firemen in the state here."

Pate said Bayside fire officials had told him the contract had been cancelled.

He said representatives of the company had "called all over the county" soliciting funds for Bayside and reportedly told residents of Diamondhead that they were soliciting in that area because Diamondhead's department was inadequate and had to be backed up by the Bayside department.

"That is inaccurate and not true," said Pate.

He said, too, there is an unofficial agreement between the

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WEEK OF 6-27-93

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Sun.	8:01 a.	7:46 p.	Thurs.	10:25 a.	10:11 p.
Mon.	8:17 a.	7:59 p.	Fri.	11:11 a.	10:57 p.
Tues.	8:53 a.	8:43 p.	Sat.	11:57 a.	11:38 p.
Wed.	9:35 a.	9:25 p.	Sun.	12:40 p.	

LADNER-MORAN  
REUNION TODAY

A family reunion for descendants and friends of Ora Ladner and Juanita Moran Ladner of Lakeshore will begin 9 a.m. today at the day use pavilion in Buccaneer State Park. Each family is asked to bring a covered dish, own drinks and chairs.

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## OBITUARIES

**AMELIA M. BLOUNT**  
**SIMMIE A. BURGE**  
**JEREMIAH COOLEY**  
**GEORGE W. GAZIN**  
**STACY G. LESLIE**  
**CLYDE J. MILLER**  
**EDITH LADNER MOORE**  
**MAJ. TOM R. SIMMONS**  
**SARAH L. WILLIAMS**

**AMELIA M. BLOUNT**  
 Amelia Mary "Metzie" Manieri Blount, 69, of Gulfport, died Thursday, June 24, 1993, in Gulfport.

Mrs. Blount was a native of Bay St. Louis. She was a member of St. James Catholic Church in Gulfport, where she was active in the church choir. She was active in the Harrison County Retarded Citizens Association, American Legion Post 119 Ladies Auxiliary and Gulf Coast Ceramic Club.

She was preceded in death by her parents Sidney and Amelia Mary Ramond Manieri; and a granddaughter, Bonnie Leigh Blount.

Survivors include her husband, James O. "Jas. O." Blount of Gulfport; three sons, Steven J. Blount of Biloxi, Brian J. Blount of Beaumont, Texas, and Scott J. Blount of Gulfport; three brothers, Emile Manieri Sr. of Bay St. Louis, Tyrell Manieri and Sidney Manieri Jr., both of New Orleans; three sisters, Val Mae Witter of New Orleans, Annabel Radecker of Metairie, La., and Muriel Brokmeier of Bay St. Louis; and two grandchildren.

Visitation is 9:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. Monday at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. A procession will leave the funeral home at 10:45 a.m. for an 11 a.m. Mass at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church. Graveside services will be 1 p.m. in the Biloxi National Cemetery.

**SIMMIE A. BURGE**  
 Simmie Austin Burge, 61, of Picayune, died Tuesday, June 22, 1993, in Picayune.

Mr. Burge was a native of Picayune. He was a truck driver and a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara M. Burge of Picayune; four sons, Mark A. Burge, Mike Burge and Martin Burge, all of Picayune, and Allen Burge of California; a daughter, Pamela Hunt of Picayune; a brother, Vincent Burge of Houston, Texas; three sisters, Ruth Jarrell of Bay St. Louis, Shirley Burge of Lumberton and Elizabeth Like of Waveland; and four grandchildren.

Funeral services were Friday at the McDonald Funeral Home chapel in Picayune. Burial was in the New Palestine Cemetery.

**JEREMIAH COOLEY**  
 Jeremiah Cooley, 56, of Kiln, died Sunday, June 20, 1993, in Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Cooley was a native of Kiln. He was preceded in death by his parents, Samuel and Bertha Haas Cooley.

Survivors include a son, Gerald Cooley of Freeport, Fla.; a brother, Joe Cooley of Kiln; and four grandchildren.

Graveside services are 10 a.m. Monday in Bayou Coco Cemetery, Kiln.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of arrangements.

**GEORGE W. GAZIN**  
 George W. Gazin, age unavailable, of Bay St. Louis, died Thursday, June 24, 1993, in Picayune.

Mr. Gazin was a native of New Orleans and a Catholic. He was preceded in death by his wife, Lily Gazin.

Funeral services were Saturday at the Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. Burial was in Gardens of Memory Cemetery.

**STACY G. LESLIE**  
 Funeral services were held on Friday in the Picayune Funeral Home Chapel for Stacy

Glen Leslie, 17, of Carriere, who died on Tuesday in the Industrial community near Picayune.

Rev. Jeff Vanlandingham officiated at the service. Burial was in the New Palestine Cemetery, Picayune, under the direction of Picayune Funeral Home.

A native of Bogalusa, La., he was a carpenter and a member of the Baptist faith.

Survivors include his father, Timothy S. Leslie of Bogalusa; mother, Christine Ryals Walker and step-father, Herman Walker, both of Henleyfield community; three brothers, Timothy Leslie Jr. and Philip Scott Leslie, both of Picayune, and Tony Aaron Leslie of Bogalusa; three sisters, Debra Anne Frank of Jackson, Tiana Michelle Leslie of Bogalusa and Angelia Walker of Jackson; and grandparents, Ruby Ryals of Picayune and Gloria Walker of Henleyfield community.

Picayune Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

**CLYDE J. MILLER**  
 Clyde J. Miller, 71, of Gulfport, died Friday, June 25, 1993, in Gulfport.

Mr. Miller was a native of Westernport, Md. He served in the Army during World War II and received the Purple Heart and the Fourragere medals. He was a Methodist.

Survivors include his wife, Vera Miller of Gulfport; two sons, Robert H. Miller of Jackson and William J. Miller of Ocean Springs; a daughter, Betty Ann Swanson of Diamondhead; two sisters, Sybil Lorraine Kennedy of Gnadentubben, Ohio, and Ruby Paugh of Vernal, Utah; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services are 2 p.m. today in the Riemann Funeral Home chapel in Gulfport. Burial will be in Floral Hills Memorial Gardens, Gulfport.

**EDITH LADNER MOORE**  
 Edith Ladner Moore, 67, of Laplace, La., died Tuesday, June 22, 1993.

She was a native of Rigolets, La., and a resident of Laplace for the past 26 years.

Survivors include her husband, George Moore; sons, Claude W. Moore of Haganville, Georgia, and Joseph R. Moore of Avondale; sisters, Inez Caro and Zelida Ferrell, both of Waveland, Vitale Bourgeois of Kenner, La., Mabel Mitchell and Bernice Schmidt, both of Pineville and Margaret Carey of Gulfport; and a brother, Elliot Ladner of Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin; and two grandchildren.

Services were at Millet-Guidry Funeral Home in Laplace on Thursday, June 24, 1993, followed by religious services at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church in Laplace. Interment was in St. Peter Cemetery, Reserve.

**MAJ. TOM R. SIMMONS**  
 Retired Maj. Tom Rogers Simmons, U.S. Army, 93, of Pass Christian, died Thursday, June 24, 1993, in Cleveland, Miss.

Arrangements are incom-

plete at the Riemann Funeral Home in Gulfport.

**SARAH L. WILLIAMS**  
 Sarah L. Williams, 84, of Bay St. Louis, died Saturday, June 19, 1993, in Bay St. Louis.

Mrs. Williams attended Valena C. Jones High School in Bay St. Louis, Gilbert Catholic School in New Orleans and University of New Orleans.

She was a member of the Valena C. Jones United Methodist Church, the Household of Ruth No. 1749, Heroines of Jericho Excelsior Court No. 50 and the Sheltering Rock Benevolent Association.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Lawrence S. Williams Sr.

Survivors include three sons, Lawrence S. Williams, Jr. of Gulfport, and Cleveland Williams and Thaddeus Williams, both of Bay St. Louis; one daughter, Edwina A. Pierce of Louisa, Miss.; one sister, Eliza Davis of Bay St. Louis; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Tuesday at Valena C. Jones United Methodist Church. Burial was in Cedar Rest Cemetery.

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 How much you gave me in happiness.

I thank you for the love you each have shown,  
 But now it's time I traveled on alone.

So grieve a while for me, if grieve you must,  
 Then let your grief be confronted by trust.

It's only for a time that we must part,  
 So bless the memories within your heart.

I won't be far away, for life goes on;  
 So if you need me, call and I will come.

Though you can't see or touch me, I'll be near,  
 And if you listen with your heart you'll hear.

And then, when you must come this way alone,  
 I'll greet you with a smile and say

"Welcome Home."

All our love,  
 Mom and Dad,  
 Sister, Nieces  
 and Nephews

## Card of Thanks

The Alfred and Ophelia Raboteau family wishes to sincerely thank all who in some way expressed condolences by sending cards, flowers or food at the time of the loss of our daughter and sister, Marlene Raboteau.

We specially express our sincere appreciation to Mrs. Francis Theriault, Jerome LeDoux and Ken Hamilton and to Mr. and Mrs. Zelro Daniels, the grandparents of Marlene's three children.

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Construction work has begun on DeMontluzin Street in Bay St. Louis. We are asking that you avoid the areas under construction, if possible. If you must use these areas **PLEASE DRIVE SLOWLY** and be **ALERT**. The areas under construction are:

**200 and 300 Block: Gas Line Improvements**  
**100 Block: Sidewalk Construction**

It is the city's intention to complete this project in a timely manner. Depending on weather conditions and any unforeseeable problems, this work should be accomplished within a matter of weeks.

The City apologizes for any inconvenience to our residents or visitors and assure you that we will do our best to finish the projects as soon as possible.

Thanking you in advance for your cooperation, patience and understanding as the City of Bay St. Louis continues in its efforts to improve all services to its residents.

Should a problem arise during this construction period, please contact my office at 467-2724.

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## Recycles

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within the city limits. John L. Broadwater of Taxi Cabs, Inc., charged that there are three taxi cabs illegally operating in Bay St. Louis either without proper licenses or insurance.

He said he had notified Bay St. Louis authorities of the problem but nothing has been done.

However, Mayor Eddie Favre said he understood the problem, but told Broadwater if he had proof of any violations, he could simply file an affidavit with authorities. He said police did not have time to follow taxis around all day to see if they are in compliance. "If they see a violation, they will act, though," said Favre.

District 2 Councilman James C. Thriffley, III, thanked Broadwater for his information and asked him to keep the council informed on the problems faced by the taxi cab drivers here.

Broadwater, after the council meeting, said his liability insurance costs \$5,000 per vehicle per year and charged that some cab owners didn't have insurance. "All I am concerned about

is that we all operate on a level playing field," said Broadwater.

Cab traffic in and out of Bay St. Louis has increased with recent economic growth associated with the casino industry, which is a heavy user of cab services.

In other business, the council:

— Approved travel expenses for city representatives planning to attend the Southern Rapid Rail Conference in Mobile on July 9. City officials will be briefed at the conference on a proposed commuter rail system along the Gulf Coast.

— Approved a \$37,541.40 payment to Coast Transit Authority as a matching share for a \$187,707 trolley that will begin operation here on Saturday. The bulk of the payment for the trolley is coming from federal and state transportation funds.

— Approved a \$150 expenditure to the University of Southern Mississippi, which will do a computer search of federal and state programs to see if Bay St. Louis is missing out on some programs for which it might be eligible.

— Approved an expenditure not to exceed \$500 to help with producing printed materials on drug education to be passed out in schools in the police department's drug education program.

— And recessed to Tuesday at 7 p.m. for the next meeting.

## Banquet set

A banquet for Waveland Little League will be held Thursday, July 1, at the Hancock County Civic Center at 7 p.m.

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## ARMS

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and commercial.

Congress allocated \$200 million in fiscal year 1993 for its implementation.

Many of these facilities have become inactive and others, which are still actively producing, have a great deal of unused capacity.

Fishbein said the statistics on ammunition procurement

have fallen by 60 percent since 1987, which resulted in many layoffs.

"We've had enormous support in this initiative," said Fishbein.

Two focuses of the initiative, said Fishbein, are creating a mobilization base and opening up government-owned facilities to defense and non-defense

industries.

"In bringing third party users in this installation, we offer incentives to serve as inducements to come here," said Fishbein.

The advantages of locating an AAP are work force, electrical system, security, water system, sewer system, space/buildings, equipment, attractive cost, communications, transportation, environmental permits, computer availability, incentives and loans.

Fishbein said the Army is delegating the authority to the contractor, Mason Technologies Inc., to supervise the activities as the facility contractor.

"We are interested in businesses that will create jobs and contribute to the revitalization of the area.

"This is an economic stimulus, and we're doing it in a sound, responsible way," said Fishbein.

Fishbein said the U.S. Congress is 100 percent behind the program.

"If we succeed here, then the possibility is open to adapt this model in other areas.

"We're going to war to fight an economic foe—and this is the battleground," said Fishbein.

The Army, working in conjunction with the American Defense Preparedness Association, established a Public-Private Task Force to study and make recommendations to the Army on its implementation plan for the ARMS Initiative and any needed changes to the current ARMS legislation.

General James W. Boddie Jr. of the U.S. Army, head of the Public-Private Task Force, said "We can't let this plant decay."

He said, "The Army is committed to make this work."

"In my 27-year career in the Army, I've never seen anything that had the total support of the Congress, like this," he said.

Doug Borgeson, contracting officer for the facility, said, "Two years ago we started with this facility project and Mississippi was the first contract we did."

"We want you to use the buildings and equipment," he said.



## Sporn honored

1923 St. Stanislaus graduate C. A. Sporn Jr., far right, and his wife, Virginia, joined Brother Aquin Gauthier, SC, left, at a reception in the Brothers' dining room at St. Stanislaus held for him and 20 golden jubilarians (Class of 1943) after graduation services for St. Stanislaus.

## POA

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Montjoy said although the corporation developing the casino has a long road to travel in obtaining gambling licenses and environmental permits, the purchase of the land is a "done deal."

"Obviously, they paid \$4 million, so the strong indication is that they will build. They own the land," said Montjoy.

No Purcell Co. or Europa officials attended the meeting although they were invited. Montjoy said Purcell officials told him they would attend if a representative of Europa did.

However, Montjoy added that Europa did not want to say anything more about the proposed development until a new chief executive came on-board in about two weeks.

"But at least now," Montjoy told residents, "with the announcement, we know who we are dealing with."

Mississippi Gaming Corp. officials on Monday announced they had exercised a \$4 million option with Purcell to purchase 404.5 acres of land just south of Diamondhead near the Harrison County line across the bay from Bay St. Louis.

They said they planned to construct a major casino complex, including a 500-room hotel, marina and golf course. Purcell Co. also developed the Diamondhead residential community.

When the announcement was made, Diamondhead residents active in community affairs expressed concern over how the casino would impact the quality of life in the upscale community just off I-10 about two miles east of the I-10 Hwy. 603 interchange. POA then called Friday's meeting.

One resident asked POA officials how they thought the Diamondhead golf course would compete with golf courses planned by Casino Magic and Casino World.

Montjoy said he felt Dia-

mondhead would have "no problem."

He added the Diamondhead course is a "much tougher" course with hills than the casinos' planned courses and would still draw large numbers of non-member players.

POA officials said the Diamondhead golf course is a major source of revenue for POA, helping support Diamondhead community facilities, thus reducing assessments on residents.

In other business on Friday, the POA board voted to go ahead with a \$60,000 expansion of the 19th Hole, the golf course club house.

Gerald Diekema, a retired architect who helped draw the plans for the expansion and who lives at Diamondhead, said the new addition will encompass about 2,500 square feet and will include a bar and grill and lounging areas with pleasant views of the golf course.

During a question and answer period, one resident asked Diekema if he had been paid for his work on the project, and Diekema, a POA board member, said he had donated it.

"No," he responded.

One board member, Benny Mistretta, voted against the project, asking, "Why must we always place our surplus on the golf course?"

He said he felt the funds could be better used on upgrading the fire department or helping community youth. He said the fire department equipment needed upgrading because of recent growth in Diamondhead's population, adding fire officials had told him the community's fire insurance rating was in danger of being raised from a 7 to 8, thus pushing up residential fire insurance rates.

However, other board members said they voted for the project because the golf course is the community's greatest producer of revenue, which reduces the costs to residents of maintaining the development.

## Jaws

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vice area — from the Waveland city limits to south of I-10 and west of the city limits to the Louisiana state line.

Waveland firemen are attempting to collect the money through bucket roadblocks and individual donations either brought to or mailed to the department, and through letters to businesses, asking for help.

"We are not making any telephone solicitations," said Garcia.

Garcia said those wanting to contribute to the drive can bring donations by the main fire department at 322 Gulfside Drive and give them to him or the assistant chief, or mail contributions to the Jaws of Life Fund, Waveland Central Station, 322 Gulfside Drive, Waveland MS 39576.

Make checks payable to the Jaws of Life Fund, he said.

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He said, "Locating a business at this facility can be very attractive."

Dick Auger, U.S. Army, said, "We're now working with the SBA to change legislative rules to expand the umbrella of control on loans and are requesting a \$10 million ceiling on loans to support the ARMS."

He said they are working on changing regulations to allow the SBA to administer loans for small and large businesses."

Bobby L. Spikes of the Small Business Association gave a presentation on loans available through the SBA.

"The proceeds of SBA loans can be used for most any legitimate business purpose," said Spikes.

Spikes said the only ineligible groups are investment companies, opinion molders and gambling facilities.

Auger said, "We have named Mississippi and Indiana prototype facilities."

Members of the panel included Roger Biehl of the U.S. Army, Bobby Spikes of the SBA, General James W. Boddie Jr. of the U.S. Army, Ray Scott, MTI general manager, Rand Fishbein, assistant for National Security Affairs, Lieutenant Everett Crumpler of the U.S. Army, Doug Borgeson, contracting officer and ARMS coordinator, and Dick Auger of the U.S. Army.

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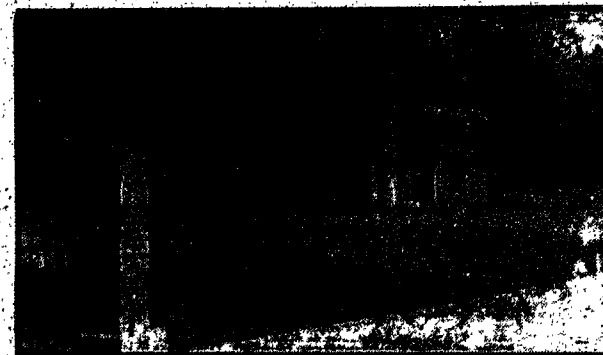
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## "QUOTABLE QUOTES"

By Ellis C. Cuevas

Looks like the Hancock County Walking Track continues to suffer from neglect, and if problems are not addressed soon it will be past history in a few years. If you walked recently, you have seen what I am talking about.

There are some areas of the track already one half the original size because of the invasion of grass through the asphalt.

Several areas of the track have sunk, causing rough surfaces for walkers.

Another problem is the two barrels for litter. They have been overflowing for more than three months.

The grass is bursting through the asphalt, causing a very uneven surface.

The grass problem on the track should have been addressed all along before it takes over the entire track.

The rough surface of the track will cause someone to get hurt if it is not soon addressed.

Folks of all ages use and enjoy the Walking Track, so I am hoping those responsible will take the proper action.

I would like to mention the grass cutting has been kept up at the track, but there is a severe lack of edging along the track itself.

I hope to see you at the Walking Track.

I spoke to Bay Mayor Eddie Favre Friday, and he reported the lights along Highway 90 should be turned on Tuesday night if there are no setbacks.

I know a lot of you have been awaiting the new lights.

It is hard to believe there were two poles knocked down within one week, and the lights haven't even been turned on yet.

Those poles are placed in the medians which should be free from vehicles.

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS FROM THE STATE AUDITOR

### GENERAL

**Q** Are the general governing authorities of a county, counties or city in which a school district is located and the school board of each school district required to jointly develop a five-year plan to encourage community involvement with the schools?

**A** Yes, the plan must be filed with the State Department of Education on or before January 1, 1993. (337-7-337)

**Q** May a volunteer fire department acquire surplus government property through the state surplus property procurement program?

**A** Yes. (§31-9-5)

**Q** Are non-profit corporations, such as volunteer fire departments, required to comply with state purchasing laws?

**A** No. Section 31-7-1 and following sections apply to state agencies and governing authorities; however, their contracts for use of public funds may require the use of public purchasing law procedures.

**Q** May a duplicate be issued for a warrant (check) lost or destroyed?

**A** Yes. (§§25-55-19 and 25-55-25)

**Q** Are insurance contracts for governing authorities exempt from public purchasing laws?

**A** Yes. (§§31-7-13)(m)(xiii))

**Q** Are insurance contracts for state agencies exempt from public purchasing laws?

**A** No, except that workers' compensation is exempt. (§31-7-13)

**Q** Is a faxed bid acceptable in complying with the bid requirements of Section 31-7-13(b) for two or more written competitive bids?

**A** Yes. However, we recommend that a permanent copy be made from the faxed copy.

**Q** Is a faxed bid acceptable in response to an advertisement requiring sealed bids under Section 31-7-13(c)?

**A** No. A faxed bid is not a sealed bid.

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## FROM THE SENATE

By Senator Trent Lott

### Three strikes, you're out

It's a fact — 64 percent of all those arrested for violent crime had one or more prior felony arrests.

Unfortunately, our justice system continues to neglect the rights of victims by letting habitual criminals back on the streets.

In order to help turn the tables on these criminals, U.S. Rep. Bob Livingston of Louisiana and I recently introduced the Lifer Bill which calls for life imprisonment for repeat offenders of violent crimes.

Lifer would require person who had been twice previously convicted of violent felonies — whether state or federal — to be sentenced to life without parole if convicted of a third felony in federal court. In other words, three strikes, you're out.

Imposing mandatory life sentences without parole on those who habitually commit violent felonies would show criminals that we are serious about fighting crime.

This legislation would help to curb the rampant crime in both urban and rural America. Just six percent of all violent offenders commit a full 70 percent of all violent crimes, and there is a 76 percent recidivism rate among those with three or more incarcerations.

Groups across the country have joined with me to urge passage of Lifer Bill. Americans, Against Crime, the Law Enfor-

cement Alliance of America, and Victims of Irreparable Crime Experience, also known as VOICE, have already sent representatives to Washington to show support for this legislation.

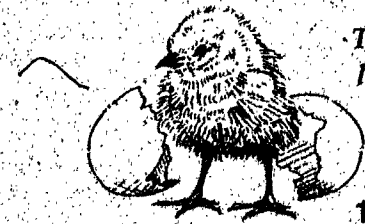
They, like most Americans, are fed up with crime. They believe it's time to take action to take the fear of crime out of our lives and make our communities safe again. It is time that we promote the rights of victims instead of the rights of criminals.

For too long crime legislation has done more to protect criminals than victims. Congress must now take steps to protect the innocent. The American people expect that from us, and I believe that deterrents such as the Lifer Bill will help to achieve that purpose.

The Lifer Bill will put career criminals in jail where they belong and make our communities safer for law-abiding citizens. I will be working to improve this tougher standard in federal courts. I hope that states will follow suit and enact this tough legislation for state convictions as well.

Senator Lott welcomes any questions and/or comments about this column. Please write to: U.S. Senator Trent Lott, 487 Russell Building, Washington, D.C. 20510 (c/o Press Office)

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## EYES ON MISSISSIPPI

By Bill Minor

### State Senate Pro Tempore has unique fund-raiser

Count on a Mississippi politician to come up with the most outrageous political fund-raising scheme ever concocted.

Not to be outdone by high state office holders, who have held fund-raisers for their campaign war chests, state Sen. Walter "Pud" Graham of New Albany, the president Pro Tempore of the Senate, is holding his own fund-raiser, sort of, on July 30.

Graham's idea is to get lobbyists (and other friends?) to kick into a travel fund for him so he can have money to go about the state for the "numerous personal appearances" he is asked to make.

This travel kitty is needed he says because there is no travel allowance money appropriated by the Legislature for the president pro tem. (It used to appropriate \$5,000, but cut it out four years ago as an unnecessary expense.)

The letter that Graham has sent out to prospective donors asks for "generous donations to keep Pud from having to thumb his way across the state." An accompanying cartoon shows poor Pud thumbing a ride out on a highway holding a sign "Speaking engagements or bust."

To begin with, it's an open question with those who have heard Pud speak on the floor of the Senate just how much demand really exists out there ("in choice locations," as the letter says) for him to enlighten the locals.

But the real kicker in Graham's plaintiff plea for pesos (sent out over the signature of "Jerry Gooch, Financial Consultant") is how Pud is going to really do you a favor if you favor him with a \$150 check.

This is the deal, says the Gooch gouge: You sent \$100 of the money payable to Pud Graham's Travel Fund. Then you keep the remaining \$50 for yourself and go to your favorite restaurant on July 30.

At your favorite restaurant, says the letter, "thank Pud for making the sacrifice of his travel money so you can entertain your favorite guests."

As a parting thought, the letter notes: "Please order enough

tickets to invite your friends to participate at this dinner at Pud's expense. Please feel free to use Pud as the centerpiece for discussion during dinner."

Now isn't that a proposition you just can't refuse?

Glenda Hensley, state director of Common Cause, one of the 350 registered lobbyists who were favored with Gooch invitation, called it "hilarious."

A business association lobbyist who has been working the Legislature for many years asked not to be identified, but said: "I don't know what they will come up with next. This beats all."

But his conclusion was that some lobbyists would feel obligated to kick in for Pud's fund "because they'd be afraid not to."

Former state Sen. W. B. Alexander Jr. of Cleveland, who as Pro Tem was given a \$5,000 contingent expense fund in the 80s, said the only time he used any travel funds was "on Senate business," never to appear before civic clubs or social events.

Significantly, the Graham fund-raising gambit runs squarely into competition with the \$100 per head fund-raising reception for July 16 planned by the Senate Democratic Caucus to raise money for the caucus agenda. When Graham attended the meeting of the caucus June 13 and the fund-raising event was discussed, he was noticeably non-committal.

In effect, the organization of the Senate Democratic Caucus, and the election of Sen. Terry Jordan of Philadelphia as Democratic majority leader, has made Graham a virtual fifth wheel in the functioning of the Senate.

Poetically, Graham had defeated Jordan by two votes to be elected president Pro Tem back in January. But Jordan won the Democratic majority leadership post hands down in March when the caucus was foisted, defeating, among several candidates, Graham.

Jordan's stature as one of the most influential figures in the Legislature has risen dramatically. Graham's meanwhile is down.

## THE PEOPLE'S BUSINESS

From the Mississippi Economic Council



### The shell game

If you believe that Washington is really thinking about cutting federal spending as a way of reducing the federal deficit, then think again.

With a federal debt of more than \$4.2 TRILLION dollars that grows at \$13,000 per SECOND, there is the illusion coming from Washington that Congress and President Clinton are grappling with ways to get federal revenues more in line.

Don't believe it.

As introduced earlier this year, the President's budget would add more than \$900 billion to the debt over four years. The gap between spending and tax revenue would continue to grow, and there are several reasons for that.

One of them is a trick Congress has used for years — the phony budget cut.

It is described by Eric Felten of the Heritage Foundation in his book, *The Ruling Class: Inside the Imperial Congress*.

"When lawmakers pass an appropriation bill and pat themselves on the back for cut-

ting spending, chances are Congress has just spent more than it did the year before," Felten writes.

By using what is known as the "current services baseline," the budget cutting process becomes a political shell game.

This "baseline" against which the final appropriation is compared is not the amount spent the previous year. Instead, it contains projected growth for such factors as inflation and built-in increases.

So, when news accounts list "budget cuts," those alleged cuts are from the artificial baseline and not from prior spending.

The "current services baseline" is one of those little Washington secrets that are rarely explained to the American people.

It is also why Washington can continue to claim to have trimmed billions of dollars from the federal budget, yet continue to increase spending on federal programs.

Now you know.

### LETTERS WELCOME

The Sea Coast Echo welcomes comments from its readers on subjects of general interest. Letters must be signed and include address or phone number so that the sender can be contacted by the newspaper if necessary. Letters should be brief, preferably typewritten and double spaced, and conform to standards of good taste.

Letters of thanks, expressions of appreciation and political endorsements are considered inappropriate for the Letters to the Editor columns.

—Ellis Cuevas, publisher





Officials begin inspection of coal barge fire on Thursday.  
(Echo staff photo by Jacquie Cochran)

## Firemen aid in coal barge fire

Hancock County and NASA firemen assisted Thursday and Friday in extinguishing a coal barge fire at Port Bienville, county fire marshal Richard Pate reported.

The barge, operated by Ryan Walsh Co., was hauling about 800 tons of coal to the DeLisle Dupont plant. Hancock firemen received a call about noon Thursday when the barge arrived at Port Bienville, Pate stated.

Fire officials were not allowed to use water or foam on the fire because of pollution problems, and decided to spread the coal on the ground to smother it, he explained.

Pate said the fire began from spontaneous combustion and was smoldering with a few flames visible. Environmental officials were present during the operation, which ended about noon Friday.

West Hancock and NASA fire departments answered the call.

## Child support collection help is available free

The Mississippi Department of Human Services Division of Child Support Enforcement announced \$8.7 million was collected in past due child support intercept of state and federal income tax refunds due absent parents for tax year 1991. For tax year 1992 collections already total over \$6.7 million. In Hancock County \$41,464 has been collected to date from

1992.

In 1991, \$36,938 was collected, according to Earnest Simpson, Child Support Supervisor.

According to Susie Steed, acting director of the Division of Child Support Enforcement, many families who could benefit from this service have not made application. She urged

families not receiving Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) to contact their county Department of Human Services Child Support Office for information and the necessary application forms.

The tax offset service is free to all families who are receiving AFDC or Medicaid only as administered through the

Department of Human Services. In addition, other families may obtain this service as recipients of Non-AFDC Child Support Services upon payment of a one-time application fee of \$25.

Steed stated interested persons should provide all required information by July 31, 1993 and earlier if possible since additional paper work may be involved. Child Support Enforcement will then process documents necessary to intercept possible tax refunds for tax year 1993.

Other requirements for application include: 1) past due child support amounts must be verified and must be \$500 or more; 2) absent parent's verified Social Security number must be provided; and 3) a copy of the court order that established the support obligation must be provided.

Alimony can be collected through tax intercept for Non-AFDC child support service cases when the related child support obligation is being enforced by MDHS and other criteria are met.

For information call Simpson at 467-4565.

## Kingston family reunion slated

A reunion for members of the Kingston, Fayard and Byais families is planned for Saturday, July 3 from 9 a.m. until dark at Buccaneer State Park Pavilion No. 1.

Guests are asked to bring food, drinks and chairs. For additional information, call 467-4419.

## Women's Aglow meets Tuesday

The Women's Aglow Fellowship of Hancock County will meet Tuesday, June 29, at Mississippi Power and Light Co. on the corner of Highway 90 and Dunbar Avenue in Bay St. Louis.

Refreshments will be served from 6:15 p.m. until the meeting at 7 p.m.

Guest speaker will be Delia Hale, a member of the Life Church of Mobile. She and her husband have done mission work in Mexico, five countries in Western Europe and in the Ukraine. Hale has ministered in various women's groups in Florida, Mississippi, Alabama and Texas.

For more information call Edith Palmer at 467-7507 or Julie Howell at 467-2298.

## Waveland receives flood rate reduction

BY JACQUI COCHRAN

Waveland Mayor Stella Frilot informed board members on June 16 that city residents could expect a reduction in their flood insurance costs, due to a favorable report from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

City building official Keith Mitchell reported the city received a nine rating on a scale of 10, with 10 being the least desirable number.

He said residents should experience a five percent reduction in their current flood premiums because of the rating.

Frilot credited Mitchell for his work in the initiation of programs and compiling of the necessary records, surveys and paper work needed for the FEMA rating application.

Mitchell said work on FEMA compliance began over a year ago.

He explained FEMA requirements include public education on flood plans and emergency measures; mapping of flood areas and submission of flood regulations enforced; a flood damage reduction plan; and preparation efforts through a program of drainage maintenance.

"Our goal is to jump two more points (down the scale) by next year," he added, "which will reduce insurance rates for residents another 10 points."

Mitchell said every point dropped is estimated as a five percent saving in insurance costs, similar to the fire rating system.

According to a May 1992 National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) report, 916 Waveland residents carry flood insurance, costing a total of \$241,831 per year and offering a coverage total of \$62.5 million.

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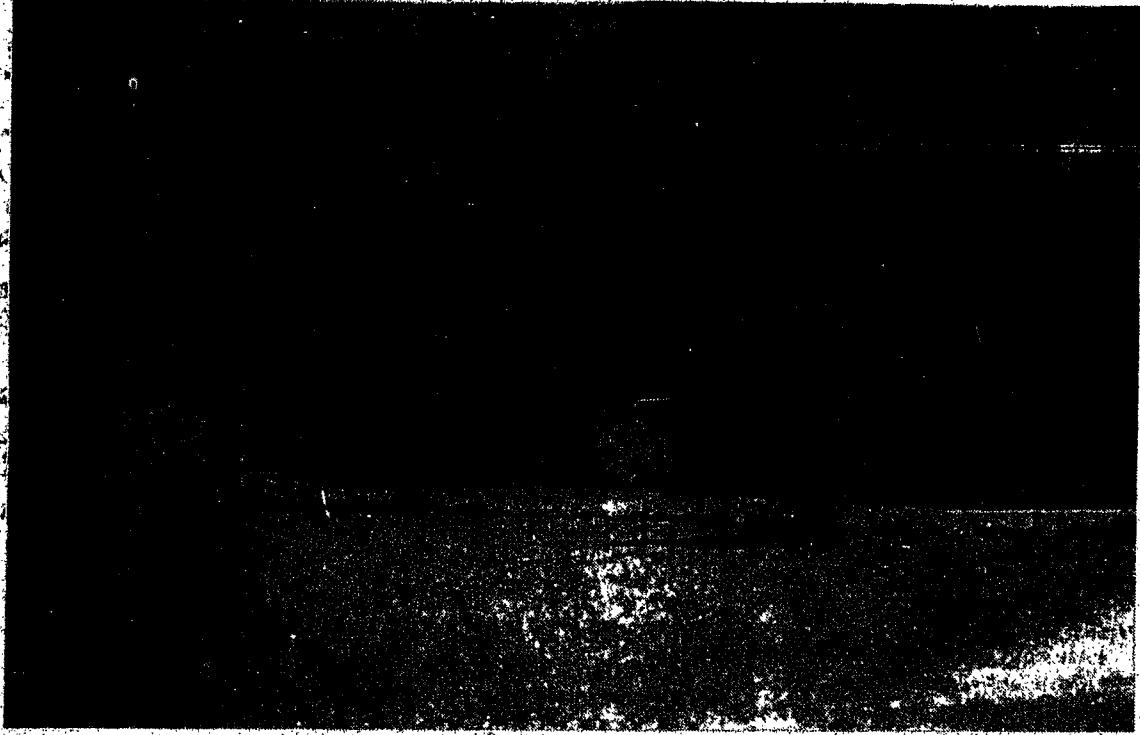
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### FICTION

1. **THE BRIDGES OF MADISON COUNTY**, by Robert James Waller. (Warner, \$14.95.) A photographer and a lonely farmer's wife in Iowa. (B)
2. **PLEADING GUILTY**, by Scott Turow. (Farrar, Straus & Giroux, \$24.) A lawyer in pursuit of his firm's missing partner and a multimillion dollar fund. (BWK)
3. **THE CLIENT**, by John Grisham. (Doubleday, \$23.50.) A deadly secret, revealed by a lawyer just before he commits suicide, presents serious problems for an 11-year-old boy. (BWK)
4. **THE SCORPIO ILLUSION**, by Robert Ludlum. (Bantam, \$23.95.) A former naval officer tracks down a terrorist conspiracy headed

by a vengeful woman. (BWK)

5. **LIKE WATER FOR CHOCOLATE**, by Laura Esquivel. (Doubleday, \$17.50.) Frustration, love, hope — and recipes — sampled by a woman coming of age on a Mexican ranch. (B)
6. **OH THE PLACES YOU'LL GO**, by Dr. Seuss. (Random House, \$12.50.) Verse and pictures. (BWK)

7. **I'LL BE SEEING YOU**, by Mary Higgins Clark. (Simon & Schuster, \$23.) A television news reporter has mystifying experiences when she covers a story in a hospital. (BWK)

8. **GAI-JIN**, by James Clavell. (Delacorte, \$27.50.) Cordial relationships and terrorism between the Japanese and foreigners in Yokohama in 1862, shortly after that city was opened to the West. (B)

9. **THE LAST COMMAND**, by Timothy Zahn. (Spectra/Bantam, \$21.95.) The final volume of the "Star Wars" trilogy begun in "Heir to the Empire" and "Dark Force Rising." (B)

10. **A SEASON IN PURGATORY**, by Dominick Dunne. (Crown, \$22.) The political and social machinations of a

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1. **WOMEN WHO RUN WITH THE WOLVES**, by Clarissa Pinkola Estes. (Ballantine, \$20.) A Jungian analyst interprets myths and folk tales to enable women to understand their psyches. (B)

2. **THE WAY THINGS OUGHT TO BE**, by Rush H. Limbaugh. (Pocket, \$22.) Anecdotes and opinions offered by the radio talk show host. (B)

3. **THE REAL ANITA HILL**, by David Brock. (Free Press, \$24.95.) A journalist's account of the relationship between the law professor and Clarence Thomas, whom she testified against during his Senate confirmation hearings. (BW)

4. **SECRET CEREMONIES**, by Deborah Laake. (Morrow, \$20.) The unhappy marriages of a woman raised as a Mormon. (B)

5. **HEALING AND THE MIND**, by Bill Moyers. (Doubleday, \$25.) The relationship of sickness in thoughts and emotions. (B)

6. **EMBRACED BY THE LIGHT**, by Betty J. Eadie with Curtis Taylor. (Gold Leaf Press, \$14.95.) The experiences of a woman who came close to death but survived. (B)

7. **CARE OF THE SOUL**, by Thomas Moore. (Harper Collins, \$20.) A psychotherapist's discussion of spirituality and everyday life. (B)

8. **THE FIFTIES**, by David Halberstam. (Villard, \$27.50.) A journalist's social, political, economic and cultural history of the 1950's. (BW)

9. **THINKING OUT LOUD**, by Anna Quindlen. (Random House, \$22.) Essays on current topics by the New York Times columnist (B)

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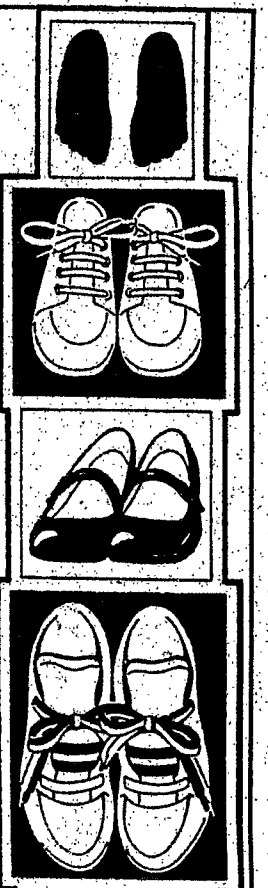
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## Crab fest set July 2-4

The 9th annual Fourth of July Crab Festival will be July 2-4 on the beach front in Bay St. Louis.

The popular festival will be staged again this year at a large site on South Beach Boulevard next to Our Lady of the Gulf Church near the historic downtown area of the city.

Signs along Hwy. 90 will direct visitors to the location, which is approximately one



the most popular on the Mississippi Gulf Coast, will feature delicious food, family fun, fireworks, live entertainment, games for children and adults, a giant flea market and 100 arts and crafts booths, among other attractions.

Food booths will offer boiled and fried seafood, crab specialties, Cajun, barbecue, Oriental, New Orleans-style dishes, hamburgers, hot dogs, cotton candy, dessert cakes, ice cream, snowballs, popcorn and drinks.

The grounds will open at 11 a.m. each day. There is no admission charge.

For information, call 467-6509 Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

mile south of the former festival site at the corner of the highway and Beach Boulevard.

The three-day festival, one of

## LOCAL BRIEF

### Annual report available

The Bay St. Louis-Waveland School District's 1992-1993 Chapter 2 Annual Report is available for public review in the superintendent's office at 201 Carroll Avenue in Bay St. Louis.

### Mount Zion homecoming is Sunday

Greater Mount Zion AME Church in Pearlinton will celebrate its annual Homecoming Day 2 p.m. Sunday. The public is invited.

### Evangelist to speak

Evangelist Ruby Schumake will speak at Rev. Elda Powell's church in Kiln this Sunday at 7 p.m.

Schumake would like to thank the church family for their support and hospitality.

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## CEHS holds 24th commencement

Coast Episcopal High School held its 24th annual commencement exercises at Trinity Episcopal Church in Pass Christian.

May 28.

Following an invocation by the Rev. Donna Gafford and a welcome by senior class presi-

dent Penelope Lambert, several graduating seniors were singled out for awards.

The 1993 American Legion

awards were presented to Megan Uram and George Hlass.

Dave Treutel of the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce gave a certificate of appreciation to CEHS student representative Jennifer Robertson and presented George Hlass with the 1993 Chamber Award.

U.S. Air Force Honors Program awards were presented to Ellen McRaney and George Hlass, and the U.S. Navy Honors Program awards to Uram and Hlass.

Coast Episcopal High School Principal Susan Dockens presented the 1993 Principal's Award to Melissa Mizell.

Dockens awarded diplomas to graduates Margot Caso Artigues, Joseph Russell Fore, George Obaid Hlass, Penelope Blair Lambert, Eric Roger Victorian Masse, Ellen McRaney (valedictorian), Melissa Paige Mizell, Jennifer Lowe Robertson, Dawna Eileen Shinkle, Kristin Marie Torguson and Megan McDonald Uram.

Following the ceremonies, a reception was held for the graduates and their families and friends in the courtyard of the church.



Front row, Ellen McRaney, Dawna Eileen Shinkle, Penelope Blair Lambert, Melissa Paige Mizell, Kristin Marie Torguson; back row, George Obaid Hlass, Jennifer Lowe Robertson, Eric Roger Victorian Masse, Megan McDonald Uram and Joseph Russell Fore.

## Crotwell to compete in Phi Beta Lambda contest

Bridget Crotwell, a student at Southeast College of Technology, won first place in job interviews at the Alabama State Phi Beta Lambda competition held during the state conference at the University of North Alabama in Florence.

Crotwell will compete at the National Phi Beta Lambda Conference to be held in Washington, D.C. in July.

Phi Beta Lambda is the post-secondary division of Future Business Leaders of America.

Crotwell was also elected Alabama state president for Phi Beta Lambda. In honor of her presidency next year's state conference will be held in Mobile at Southeast College.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Crotwell of Bayside Park 1990 graduate of Bay High School.



Bridget Crotwell

## OLA students to lead St. Paul Youth



Myers, Clark, Ryan

Three Our Lady Academy students were elected 1993-94 officers for St. Paul Youth (SPY) organization in Pass Christian, according to Msgr. Ron Herzog, pastor.

Elected are: president, Julie Ryan; vice-president, Jessica Clark; and secretary-treasurer, Jennifer Myers. All three students will be juniors at OLA next year.

The purpose of SPY is to have the youth become an active part of the church community and diocese while becoming closer to God. The goal for next year, according to Ryan, "is to become a family, to increase service both in the church and community, to deepen our prayer life, and to interact with other youth of the diocese."

The group will host its annual "Beach Bash" on August 7 for the Diocesan CYOs. The first meeting of the new year will be August 22.

## Six honored at MGCCC

Six local students were among those honored in awards day ceremonies at Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College, Jeff Davis campus.

Receiving the physical education award was Theresa L. Cuevas of Pass Christian; 1993 Honors Program awards, Tracy A. Daniels of Waveland and Corrie E. Warren of Pass Christian;

Hall of Fame 1993: Nicole A. Bodenschatz and Corrie E. Warren of Pass Christian; and Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges: Maria H. Tucker and Nicole A. Bodenschatz of Pass Christian.

## Jackson Co. campus names honors lists

Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College's Jackson County Campus announces its president's and vice president's lists for the 1993 spring semester.

Lisa M. Carley of Bay St. Louis achieved the president's list by maintaining a 4.0 grade point average on a minimum of 12 semester hours.

Two local students, Barbara R. Widener and Jacqueline F. Bermond of Bay St. Louis, were named to the vice president's list by maintaining at least a 3.3 GPA, with no grades less than "C."

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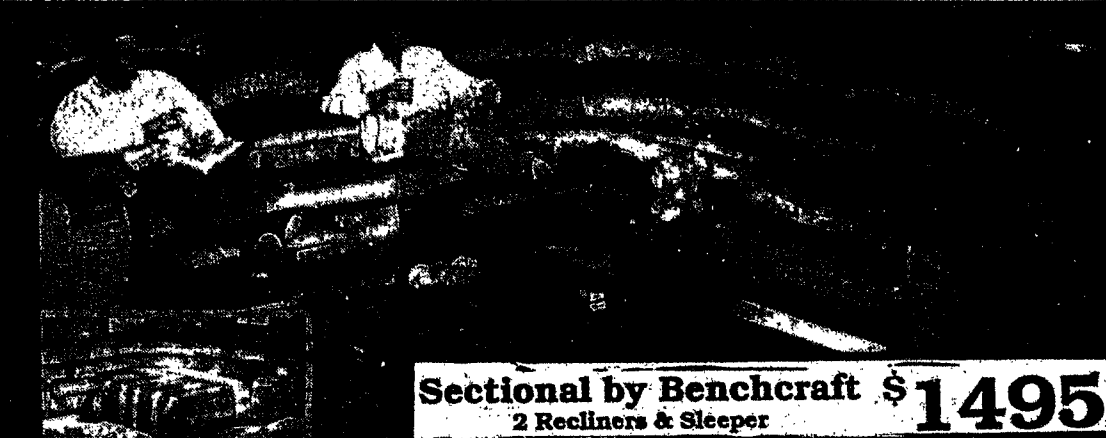
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Gulf Coast Chapter of  
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The final meeting of the year of the Gulf Coast Chapter of Mississippi Society of CPAs was held at the Great Southern Club May 25. AmSouth Bank sponsored the four-hour program with speakers on retirement plans from their organization. More than 60 Coast CPAs attended the meeting.

Officers for 1993-94 were elected. They are: president, Emile Koury; vice president, Linda Roberts; secretary-treasurer, Tela Lawrence; and representative to board of governors, Lori Mozingo.

The chapter sponsors five meetings each year which are presentations on areas of accounting and auditing. Each meeting is four hours and qualify for Continuing Education Credits. If any local CPAs are interested in joining the organization, contact Tela Lawrence, CPA, 122 Marcie Drive, Long Beach, MS 39560.

## Take Off Pounds Sensibly

## WAVELAND

TOPS MS 233 Waveland met Tuesday, June 22 at the Waveland Public Library.

Dolores was the week's best loser with 3 1/4 pounds. On June 15 Judy was the best loser with 4 pounds. Karen received a charm for her weight loss. The club congratulated Debbie and Karen on their weight loss. Catherine was congratulated for being a KOPS for three years.

Karen presented the chapter program on impulsive eating. The club welcomed three new members, Joan, Paula and Stella. TOPS MS 233 meets every Tuesday evening at the Waveland Public Library. Weigh-ins are from 5:30 until 6 p.m., with the meeting immediately following. Anyone interested in losing weight the sensible way and maintaining that weight loss is welcome to visit the chapter.

For additional information call Debbie at 467-0784.

Gamblers  
Anonymous

A Waveland group of Gamblers Anonymous will start this Sunday at 7 p.m. at 301 Coleman Avenue in the Waveland Annex Building (upstairs, in the rear).

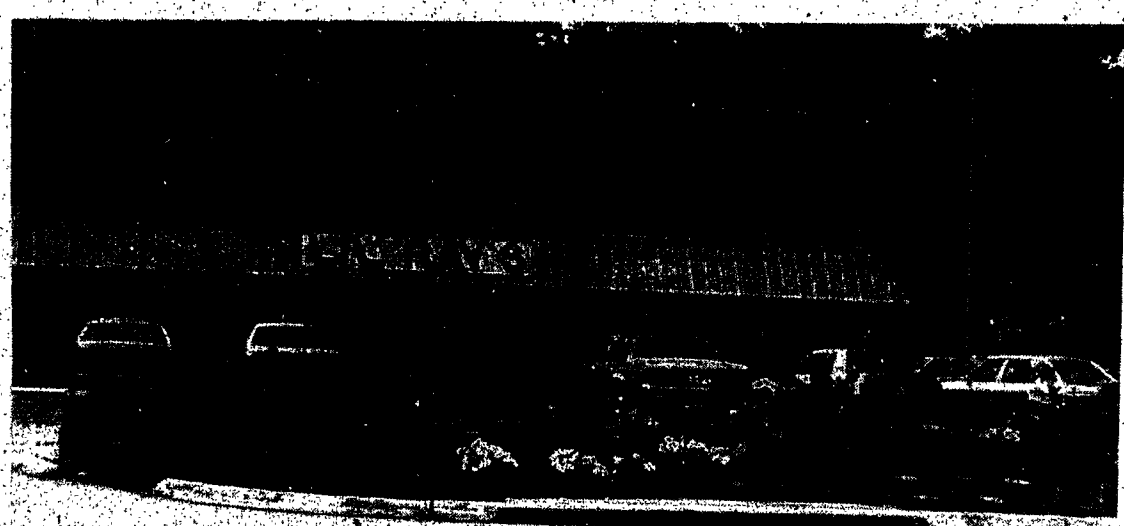
Meetings of this group of GA will be each Sunday at 7 p.m. For questions or help, call the GA help line at 1-800-427-1604.

Meetings of GA are also held every Wednesday at 7 p.m. at the Security Plaza on Court-house Road in Gulfport.

For more information call 896-4636.

GA meetings in Biloxi are held on Monday at 7:30 p.m. at the Recovery Resources, Suite 227, Coastal Medical Plaza.

Phone 388-1404 or 504-836-4543 for more information.



## Commercial beautification award

The Bay-Waveland Garden Club honored Lil' Ray's Seafood Restaurant on Highway 90 in Waveland with the commercial beautification award. (Echo staff photo by Liz Haas)

## Riverview FCE

At her home, president Jean Barrett called the monthly meeting of the Riverview FCE Club to order.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, creed and devotional, the educational program was presented. Guest speaker, Mississippi Highway Patrol Officer Dan Tackett gave a talk and tips for personal, home and property safety. A question-and-answer session followed. Tackett also distributed literature on these subjects.

The minutes by Joann Little and the treasurer's report by Dolores Ouder were read and approved.

Committee chairmen gave their reports.

Kay Buccola reported the following from Riverview: all won blue ribbons at the local Cultural Arts Fair and would be eligible to go to the state FCE Association meeting: oil painting, Kay Buccola; ceramic basket and eggs, Dolores Bullitt; quilt, Kay Buccola; and holiday decoration, Jean Barrett.

Mary Evans, health chairman, reminded members of the importance of getting a mammogram. She also suggested that women over 50 years consider a colon test.

A collection was taken for the food pantry.

Dolores Bullitt distributed the pepper/mace spray she had ordered for members.

The next meeting will be a picnic at the home of Alice Green.

Gulf Coast  
Newcomers Club

The Gulf Coast Newcomers Club will meet Tuesday, July 13 at the Best Western Beach View Inn in Gulfport at 11 a.m. with lunch following at noon.

Guest speaker will be Nancy McCardell from "Houses By Nancy," who is a creative ceramic artist who specializes in sculptured replicas of historic as well as contemporary houses and buildings.

Any woman who has moved to the Coast in the past three years is invited to join. Call Frances Cannon at 452-9826 or Juliet Jassby at 452-3670 for information.

## Learning Ladies

The June meeting of Learning Ladies was at the home of acting president Tommie Ziegler.

Following the secretary's report by Inez Olivier and treasurer's report by Reba Echezabla, committee chairman addressed the club. This being the last meeting for the summer, old business and projects were completed. New business will resume in September.

The program was given by Hamilton Ziegler on the care and growing of day lilies, and all members were given a beautiful double-yellow day lily plant to take home.

With the conclusion of the meeting, lunch was served by the hostess.

The next meeting will be Sept. 21 at the home of Irma May.

## South Mississippi Mensa

South Mississippi Mensa will meet at the Opal Smith Fellowship Center, Gulfport, Saturday, July 10 at 6 p.m. for a bag-lunch dinner. A business meeting will follow. Ag attendees will report on what transpired at the meeting. For details, call Monica McLemore at 872-0732.

Parents  
Without  
Partners

Any single person is eligible to join Parents Without Partners Chapter 1120, an organization of divorced, widowed, legally separated or never married parents. The group meets every Thursday, 7:30 p.m., at the Gaston Hawes Recreation Center, 17th Street, Gulfport (off Hwy. 49).

For more information, call 896-4852.

Hancock  
County  
Republican  
Women

The Hancock County Republican Women's Club monthly luncheon meeting will be at The Galley at the Waveland Resort Inn Thursday, July 1 at 11 a.m. The program format will be "complaints and compliments."

For further information call Dottie Stapleton at 467-4940.

K of C bingo  
changes date

K of C of Columbus Council 7082 has changed the bingo night from Tuesday to Thursday. It is held at the KC Hall, Hwy. 608, at 7:15 p.m.

ACS Junior Board  
seeks new members

The Junior Board of the Hancock County Chapter of the American Cancer Society is seeking new members ages 15-18 who are interested in joining the volunteer organization.

The Junior Board assists in various educational projects in Hancock County public and private schools.

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## PUBLIC HEARING

The Bay St. Louis Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing Wednesday, July 14, 1993, 7:30 p.m., City Hall Annex, 111 Court Street, to consider the following applications:

Raymond Heitzmann/Outdoor Systems, application for variance to size construction of double face 14'x8' billboard. The property in question is located at 613 Blue Meadow Rd. and Highway 90 and described as Part of Lot 17 Rear Second Ward, Bay St. Louis, Hancock County.

Mike Pernicaro, application for special subdivision. The property in question is located at 490 8th Street and described as Lots 35 through 40 and Part of 41 of square 53 Fourth Ward, Bay St. Louis, Hancock County.

Jim Golden/Collins Signs (Agent for Owner), application for variance to display pylon sign with name & gas price 8'0"x22'6" @ 26' over all height. The property in question is located at 455 Hwy. 90 Rear First Ward.

Herbert F. Young, application for variance for set back. The property in question is located at 102 McDonald Lane and described as West 155.6' of lot 265 First Ward, Bay St. Louis, Hancock County.

The application and certified survey of the property is available for review during the hours of 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday.

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## Taylor, Seal earn licenses

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It will be mounted on the NASA Learjet, based at Stennis International Airport near Stennis Space Center, and flown over a particular area to acquire data which can later be converted into images. These images can then be used to make maps of the specific site.

The importance of the new sensor is far-reaching, said NASA's Mark Mick, Airborne Instrument Test System program manager at Stennis Space Center.

Many businesses today, he said, need a way to 'see' events that are taking place over areas that are too big to observe with our eyes.

"Farmers need to monitor crops that cover tens of thousands of acres. City planners need to determine the best direction for expanding housing and industrial developments. Environmental engineers and others concerned with hazardous sites need a way to find polluted areas and see that they are properly cleaned up," Mick said.

The ATLAS is tailored to developing commercial applications. The ATLAS can 'see' 15 separate wavelengths, from the visible (things we see with our eyes) to the thermal infrared (ground temperatures).

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The ATLAS information is then combined with other methods of traditional mapping in a computer, resulting in a much more detailed map of a particular site. The information from this type map can be used by many types of businesses to more effectively manage resources or better service clients that need to manage their land.

After the ATLAS was assembled at NASA's Advanced Sensor Development Laboratory at Stennis Space Center, the sensor was flown on a course that passed over the Chandeleur Islands in the Gulf of Mexico

## Public Notices

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI  
JOURDAN RIVER SHORES PROPERTY OWNERS CIVIC ASSOCIATION, INC., PLAINTIFF  
VERSUS  
JOHN A. BANSONE, JR. AND THOMAS CROOKS, DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS  
CAUSE NO. 22,700  
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
TO: THOMAS CROOKS

You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by Jourdan River Shores Property Owners Civic Association, Inc., Plaintiff, seeking to recover a monetary judgment against you by virtue of unpaid property assessments resulting from your ownership of Lot 15, Square 14, Phase 2 of Jourdan River Shores Subdivision as per the official plat on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi. You are required to mail or hand deliver a written response to the Complaint filed against you in this action to Attorney for the Plaintiff, Kevin J. Necaise, 1400 24th Avenue, Post Office Box 636, Gulfport, Mississippi 39502.

YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF FILING OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONETARY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT. You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time after said date.

Issued under my hand and seal of said Court, this 10th day of June, 1993.

(SEAL)  
E. Michael Necaise  
Chancery Clerk of Hancock County  
Mississippi  
By: Pamela Cuevas  
Deputy Clerk  
6-20; 6-27; 7-4-93

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI  
JOURDAN RIVER SHORES PROPERTY OWNERS CIVIC ASSOCIATION, INC., PLAINTIFF  
VERSUS  
MICHAEL NOTO, DEFENDANT

SUMMONS  
CAUSE NO. 22,845  
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
TO: MICHAEL NOTO

You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by Jourdan River Shores Property Owners Civic Association, Inc., Plaintiff, seeking to recover a monetary judgment against you by virtue of unpaid property assessments resulting from your ownership of Lots 43 & 44, Square 5, Phase 2 of Jourdan River Shores Subdivision as per the official plat on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi. You are required to mail or hand deliver a written response to the Complaint filed against you in this action to Attorney for the Plaintiff, Kevin J. Necaise, 1400 24th Avenue, Post Office Box 636, Gulfport, Mississippi 39502.

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## Girls volleyball

Bay High School girls volleyball team members were honored in a recent athletic awards ceremony. From left are Shelia Kosbab, most improved player, and Kellie Zimmerman, hustle award. Not pictured are Vicki Faye, coach's award, and Mami Elmer, most valuable player.

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# Daredevil Duel

Casino Magic hosts motorcycle jumping challenge July 9

The Daredevil Duel, the motorcycle jumping challenge between Robbie Knivel and Eddie Kidd, will be telecast live from Casino Magic on Friday, July 9. The event will be tele-

vised on pay-per-view nationwide and via satellite worldwide.

The Daredevil Duel is a head-to-head competition which will determine the world's best

motorcycle jumper. The participants will challenge each other to a series of jumps (over cars), increasing distances until only one remains. Final distances could exceed 200 feet.

Casino Magic will construct a 1,300-foot runway and ramp system for the event at the back of the parking lot and install bleachers and fencing.

Robbie Knivel, son of infamous Evel, has been jumping most of his life and is a five-time world record motorcycle jumper. He boasts clearing the fountains at Caesars Palace, among his many daring achievements.

Kidd, a native of England, is the current world record holder at 190 feet. He recently gained worldwide exposure when he became the first man to jump over the Great Wall of China on his motorcycle. The jump, during which he could not see the landing which stood between him and a 1,000-foot drop into a river, was among the most dangerous attempts to date.

Tickets will range from \$10 to \$25 and will be available soon at

all Ticketmaster Outlets and Casino Magic Giftshops. The event is presented by Freyboy Productions and Event Entertainment of Rolling Hills Estates, Calif., in association with Casino Magic.

Also included in the extravaganza, which starts at 7 p.m. will be an entertainment stage featuring "Roger Clinton and Politics." Roger, brother of President Bill Clinton, performed at the Presidential Ball and the MTV ball in Washington D.C. in January and has since been working on an album in Los Angeles with Atlantic Records.

Performing alongside Roger Clinton is Howard Stern's own "Stuttering John." John's unique brand of humor can be heard nationally each day.

Adding to the festivities is the "Ultimate Rock n' Roll Bikini Fashion Show," featuring 1993 Playboy Playmates Echo Johnson and Kimberly Donley and the Miss Daredevil Duel Bikini Contest with finalists competing live on national and international per-view television.

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## Saltwater sport fishing now requires license

Mississippi residents will soon have to pay for the pleasure of saltwater sport fishing. The Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks announced that, effective July 1, all saltwater sport fishing in Mississippi waters requires a saltwater fishing license.

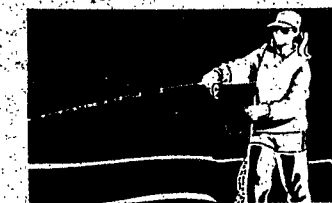
The fee, set by the State Legislature, will be \$4 for an annual resident license and \$20 for an annual non-resident license.

Louisiana residents, who want to catch saltwater sport fish, will have to have a non-resident saltwater fishing license and a non-resident freshwater fishing license. This is because Mississippi residents must have both licenses in their

possession when fishing in Louisiana waters.

Saltwater licenses must be used from south of Interstate 10 to the Barrier Boundary.

Both residents and non-residents will have the option of purchasing a three-day "trip" license for \$6.



Residents under 16 years old, 65 or older, or those adjudged disabled under game and fish status of Mississippi, will not be required to purchase the new saltwater sport license. Neither will residents or non-residents fishing on a chartered boat, party boat, lead boat or guide boat.

Revenue generated from the new licenses will be used to fund saltwater sport fishing law enforcement, management and research activities.

## Rocks blank Tigers 20-0 in alumni football game

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Saturday, May 29 was the date for the second annual Bay

sessions before Gino Ascani took the ball in from the two-yard line and put SSC up 12-0. Again, the two-point conversion failed.

The defenses took over

through most of the second, third and fourth quarters with each making one big play after another.

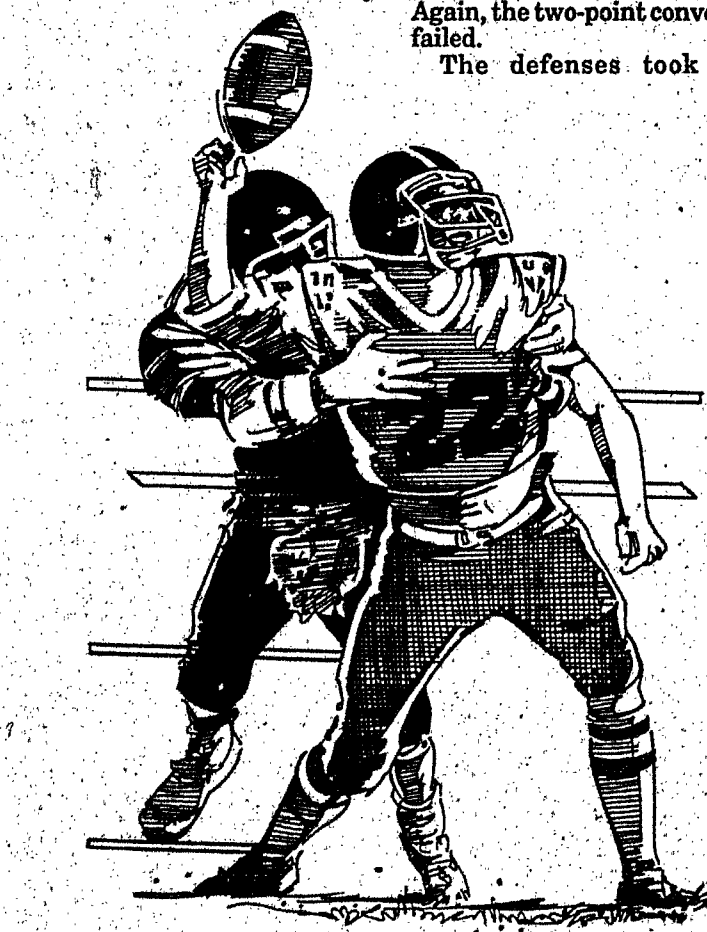
Some of the better offensive plays during this time were a 22-yard pass from Tiger quarterback David McIver to Mike Proulx and a 37-yard pass from the Rocks' Jimmy Dempsey to Freddie Worstrom.

The Rocks finally put the game out of reach when Cedric Smith ran a quarterback sneak up the middle for the final touchdown. Todd Thriffley capped off the scoring with a two-point conversion and the Rocks ended up on top 20-0. The series is now tied up 1-1.

Most valuable players were Charles Hawkins for the Tigers and Gino Ascani for the Rocks.

This game was played for a good cause, with the proceeds going to each school's booster club and the Scott Demboski Soccer Field fund.

Currently the game is in the process of being moved to the second week in December to avoid some scheduling conflicts. By doing this it is hoped to catch more people in the "football mood" and encourage as much of the community's participation as possible to ensure a huge success.



High versus SSC alumni football game, which was won by SSC by a score of 20-0. Both teams showed they still "had it" by putting on an impressive game.

SSC went ahead early when Casey Whittmann fired an 18-yard touchdown pass to Ken Booker who had fallen down in the end zone. After the ball was tipped around, it fell right into his lap. The Rocks went for two but failed.

The two teams changed pos-

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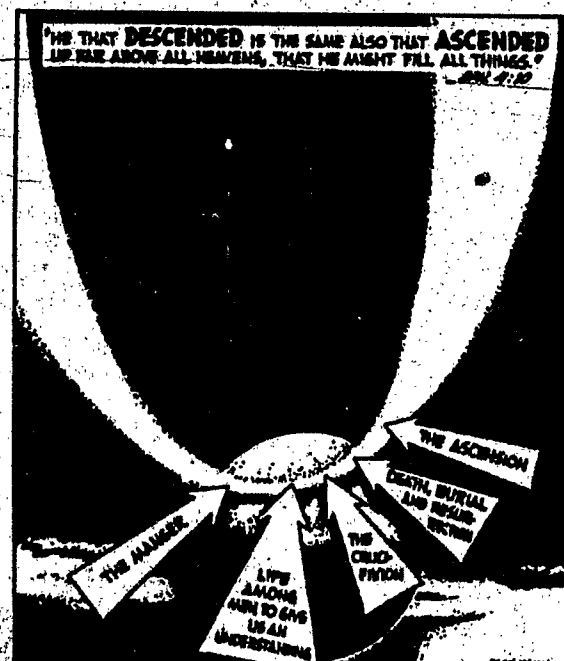
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#### 36 Special Notices

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Chris's Critters Preschool Open Mon-Fri 7:30-5:30. Register NOW for Aug. Call Chris at 467-7716.

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#### 53 Schools & Instruction

AMERICAN BEAUTY COLLEGE: Our Shopping Center, Waveland. Start an exciting new career. \*\*\*Classes starting every month\*\*\* Financial aid available for those who qualify. Call 466-4475.

CHILDREN'S ART WORKSHOPS: WITH Kat Fitzpatrick. Puppet making, Printmaking, Painting, Papier-Mache. Beginning June 8. 467-6899 for details.

#### 56 Services Offered

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#### 58 Lawn & Garden

CAVEMAN'S LAWN CARE: FREE estimates. Back in business. Phone 467-4318.

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WANTED: small furniture, figurines, old rosaries, tin toys, clocks & watches, vintage jewelry, US & world coins (pre-1940s), old postcards, political pins (bef. 1970s), metal banks, classic sports cars. Call or visit anytime.

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#### 58 Lawn & Garden

A CALL TO CHARLIE'S LAWN & YARD SERVICE: For Free estimates. Grass cutting, weed eating, trash hauling, etc. Call anytime. (601) 467-1577 or (601) 467-4266.

FOR GRASS CUTTING, trimming, cleanup, painting, and hauling trash away call 467-5626. Very reasonable prices.

FREE ESTIMATES: CALL TONY'S Lawn Service, Grass cutting, yard clearing and trash hauling. 467-4429.

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#### 63 Business Opportunities

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#### 66 Child Care

ATTEN: CASINO WORKERS NEEDING child care, 7 days a week, 24 hours a day with references, reasonable rates. All ages, drop ins welcome. 467-9970.

BABYSITTING MONDAY THRU FRIDAY at 542 St. John St., BSL 467-5738 or 467-3161. Infants and toddlers welcome. Reference available.

Chris's Critters Preschool Open Mon-Fri 7:30-5:30. Register NOW for Aug. Call Chris at 467-7716.

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#### 73 Help Wanted

15 IMMEDIATE OPENING FOR drivers. Valid drivers license auto insurance, clean driving record. Apply in person Domino's Pizza, 2-4 at Bay St. Louis.

ADMISSIONS: RN: PROFESSIONAL Home Health is seeking a RN with Home Health experience to do admission assessments and assist with LPN supervision in the Pass Christian office. Positive people skills required. Excellent salary/benefits. Family friendly hours. Call 452-2997 or 388-4144 for an interview. M-F 8-4. EOE. Complies with the ADA.

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PART TIME HELP WANTED to train as house cleaners for service. Must be local resident with references, transportation, phone. No holiday, Sat, Sun, night work. 8AM till afternoon, Mon thru Friday. Call after 5PM 467-2406.

#### 73 Help Wanted

PART-TIME COMPANION FOR socially active elderly lady. Light duty, but must have transportation and drivers license. 452-9309.

PROFESSIONAL HOME HEALTH IS seeking a RN with Home Health Experience to do admission assessments and assist with LPN Supervision in the Pass Christian office. Positive people skills required. Excellent salary/benefits. Family friendly hours. Call 452-2997 or 388-4144 for an interview. M-F 8-4. EOE. Complies with the ADA.

SELL WHOLESALE VIDEO TAPES and games. Sales experience or video store experience necessary. 467-1235.

WHEELCHAIR PATIENT NEEDED someone with car for occasional trips to Doctors, shopping, etc. 467-1299.

#### 81 Appliances

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#### 82 Antiques, Collectibles

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#### 83 Items For Sale

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We would like to buy your logs, poles, pulpwood and hardwood timber. Small tracts or large tracts.

Call day or night **255-3082**



**83 Items For Sale**

**CLOTHING, HOUSEHOLD ITEMS,** TOYS, books, shoes small appliances, etc. Jeans from \$1.99 pair and up; Children's Clothing \$9.99 and up; Men's clothing \$9.99 and up. Goodwill Store, Bay Mall Shopping Center, Dunbar & Highway 90, Monday thru Sat. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 467-7277.

**CRABS ALIVE - FRESH FISH, BUY DIRECT** from local fisherman. Call 467-5584 anytime.

**DINETTE SET - GOLF CLUBS, GLASS TOP TABLE** (36x60) w/wood and chrome pedestal and 4 matching chairs, \$500. Men's and women's matched sets complete w/ pro bags. \$300 each set or \$500 for both. Call 255-1059.

**RENT-TO-OWN, ANYTHING FOR YOUR HOME.** Rentals starting at .50¢ a day. Reasonable sales on all used furniture and appliances. Dollar Rental 467-9545.

**GIRL'S CALIFORNIA MALIBU Hopper** red bicycle, 28", \$50.00. 466-5710.

**IBM COMPATIBLE w/2 drives, modem \$350.** Toyota Landcruiser 4x4 Buckshots, leather seats, neon roof, needs some body work. \$1400. 467-0858.

**KENMORE WASHER AND DRYER FOR SALE.** 467-0459.

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**DINING ROOM TABLE WITH 6 chairs & feet** with lighted china cabinet, very good condition, \$1,250. firm. Navy blue sofa with floral print with matching chair, \$100 or best offer. Dresser with hutch, mirror, \$75 or best offer. 2 large boxes of women's & children's clothes, \$20 each or best offer. 467-5626.

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**YAMAHA ORGAN WITH 5 SPEAKERS.** Lesley \$500. 50-gallon aquarium \$100 with everything. 255-3822.

**84 Furniture**

**3 PCS BAR SET \$55.** Baby bed \$40. 5 Pcs sofa set \$125. Single bed \$55. 466-5795.

**FOR SALE TRUNDLE BED with mattress.** Like new. \$200. 467-9667.

**NEW 3 PIECE SUITE: SOFA, LOVE seat & chair.** \$299.95. 452-5000.

**85 Building Materials**

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**86 Business Equipment**

**ONE TAYLOR DAIQUIRI** (double up right) and two Taylor (counter top), like new machines. Upright \$4000. Counter \$3500/ea. Don or Tracy 452-5114.

**TRACK HOE, BIG RIG, LOW BOY.** \$18,000 will lease, negotiable. 255-3917 or 255-3195.

**88 Tools, Machinery**

**BLAST OFF ALL PAINT: A 1500 PSI** Pressure Washer & Paint Stripper. Save weeks of scraping. CROWN EQUIPMENT. 467-3677.

**90 Pets**

**AKC CHIHUAHUA PUPPIES:** all colors, \$200. 467-4159.

**FATHER'S DAY SPECIAL: BEAGEL PUPPIES** for sale. 467-6111.

**WHITE SPITZ PUPPIES FOR SALE.** 467-2982.

**91 Live Stock**

**ONE PAINT MARE, ALL TACK** good for beginner, or can hunt off of. \$750. 255-4364. One Strawberry Red Mare Walking Horse, Great riding. All Tack. \$750. 255-4364.

**93 Yard Sales**

**3 FAMILY YARD SALE.** Ladies designers size 6, shoes 8-1/2, crafts, etc. 230 Melody Lane. Thrus. Fri. July 1 & 2. No Junk.

**BAY WAVELAND WOODWORKS** and flea market. 12 inside dealers, antiques, collectibles, glass, tools, dolls, gingerbread, and mantles. Open 7 days. 10 till dark Hwy 90, Waveland, Ms. Buy. 601 467-2628. Sell.

**DEADLINES FOR YARD, GARAGE SALES** advertisements appearing in THURSDAY'S Editions of THE SEA COAST ECHO is 4 p.m. TUESDAY'S.

**EVERYDAY IS SALE DAY AT YOUR Bay** St. Louis Goodwill Store; Bay Mall Shopping Center, Dunbar & Highway 90. Mon. thru Sat. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 467-7277.

**GARAGE SALE SUNDAY 6/27/93 9 a.m.** till 6 p.m. Tools, glass blocks, fishing equipment. Lots of misc. items. 5066 Utah St. Shoreline Park.

**96 Wanted To Buy**

**CASH ON THE SPOT** for used furniture and antiques. One piece or house full. Paying top dollar. 467-4099.

**QUICK CASH FOR ALMOST ANYTHING** before yard sale hassel, moving or cleaning out. We buy households, furniture, antique, tools, toys, bric-brac, etc. Piece or house full. No answer leave message. 467-4857.

**96 Wanted To Buy**

**\*WE BUY OLD ORIENTAL RUGS:** any size or condition. 1 800 527-0861.

**126 Campers/Motor Homes**

**28FT 5TH WHEEL, SLEEPS 6, \$10,000.** Diesel P/U with hitch, \$6,000. 255-7109.

**FOR SALE 22' HOLIDAY TRAVEL** trailer. Self-contained, A/C, sleeps 6, excellent condition. 255-9369, 255-9321, 255-4700.

**128 Boats & Motors**

**1991 JOHNSON 25 HORSEPOWER** motor with electric start, 14 foot Monark boat and trailer. Includes new battery and 6 gallon tank. \$2,000.00 or best offer. Call (601) 467-9438, please leave message.

**BOSTON WHALER 17-1/2' 1973 65hp** Johnson, galvanized trailer, chart recorder and Loran-C. \$4000. 466-3156.

**130 Motorcycles**

**YAMAHA 4-WHEELER 225.** Runs good, needs brakes. \$675. 255-7092.

**133 Auto. Parts/Service**

**20 FOOT FLATBED GOOSENECK** trailer, tandem axle, needs little work. \$1,500. 466-5679.

**STAINLESS STEEL TRUCK** rails for small trucks. New in box. \$50.00. 467-9776.

**WE BUY JUNK CARS: CALL ANYTIME.** 467-5558.

**136 Automobiles**

**GM 671 BLOCK, CRANK SHAFT, HEAD,** water day tank, \$350. 467-9316.

**RARE: 1966 PLYMOUTH VALIENT** STATION WAGON, \$1,200. 466-4868.

**LAND FOR SALE**

**Small down payment & owner** financing. Hancock & Harrison Counties. 255-9281.

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**1 or 2 Bedroom Apartments**

**WAVELAND MANOR** 467-1488

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**136 Automobiles**

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**1990 CADILLAC BROUGHAM** Elegance. Approximately 28 months remaining on GM Protection Plan. Mint condition. \$15,200. 255-3753.

**FORD PINTO - 1978** still for parts. 467-9804.

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**4 Bedroom Home, Brick, Central Heat & Air, 3 Baths, Great Room, 3,000 sq. ft. Bay St. Louis, \$79,500.**

**LOTS OF LOTS FOR SALE WITH OWNER FINANCING**

**1 Acre lot in Silver Creek.** Acres on Magnolia, \$2,500. Cash for quick sale.

**Beautiful 2 acre parcel of property** on Hwy. 90 North Side. Approx. 1 1/2 miles West of Waveland. Fenced, cleared, well, & barn. \$51,000. Owner financing available.

**OWNER FINANCING** of Lots in Jourdan River Shores - Paved Streets - Water & Sewer - Homesites. Hwy 603 Lot.....\$5,000. Shawnee St. Lot.....\$3,000. No Down Payment. 8% Interest - 5 yr. Financing.

**Ask Us About Commercial Highway Property in Waveland on Highway 90 & Auderer Blvd.**

**We Need Listings! Ask for Sid**



**624 Highway 90 Waveland, Ms**

**601 467-9661**

**136 Automobiles**

**FOR LOWEST COST CAR INSURANCE** with monthly payments. Call Paul Smith Insurance Agency. 467-4607 or 467-6004.

**FOR SALE: BY OWNER 1983 OLDSMOBILE** Delta 88 Royale Brougham. 4 door, power everything, new muffler, new radiator, new tune-up. Good tires, good brakes, runs good and a good buy at only \$2,450. Call Randy at 467-5474 weekdays or 467-4588 after 5PM & weekends.

**1978 OLDS CUTLASS SALON, 4-door,** 42,000 miles. \$1,100. obo. 467-6898.

**1984 BUICK REGAL** motor and transmission just replaced with 350 Oldsmobile. Rocket. Asking \$1031 or with approved credit take over payments for 6 months. Call after 6 or on Sunday 467-4487.

**138 Trucks, Vans**

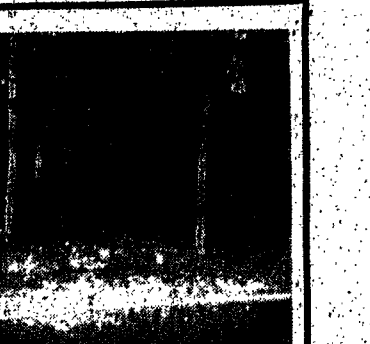
**1978 CHEVY ELCAMENO** with new rebuilt engine. Runs good. Body in good condition. \$2000. Negotiable. 466-4851. If no answer leave message.

**68 CHEVY PICK UP 350.** Needs some work. \$800, or obo. 467-9374.

**147 Apartments For Rent**

**OAK PARK APARTMENTS:** 2 bedroom. Call 467-6882.

**SIGNATURE LAKE APARTMENTS.** One bedroom, starting at \$260; Two bedroom, starting at \$290; three bedroom \$375. Section 8 welcome. 452-9801.



**THE LAKES CLERMONT HARBOR**

**Beautiful 3 plus acre lots,** \$3,300/acre, lakeside, heavily wooded, private fishing, no flooding, standard insurance area, reasonable restrictions. Paved cul-de-sac north from Railroad Ave. between Clermont Harbor and Lakeshore rail crossings. 467-8365 or 467-3523.

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Kathleen V. Gardache, GRI-Broker  
612 Nicholson Ave. • Waveland, MS 39576  
**467-4907**

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**150 VACATION LANE** Huge brick home owner financing 4BR, 3BA with study and wet bar. 3/4 of an acre, chain link fence, new roof, near beach. \$65,000.

**9002 SWALLOW 3BR, 1BA** approx. 1 acre. \$38,000 owner finance.

**9016 SWALLOW 1BR, 1BA** approx. 1-1/2 acres, \$28,000. Fixer upper, owner financing.

**NEW LISTING 397 Felicity, VIP Home,** double garage, 3BR, 2BA, brick. 7 yrs old, all electric with fireplace. \$84,500. Near casino. Lot 80 x 120.

**805 WAVELAND AVE** \$42,500. 10 years old, all electric will go VA or FHA. Newly painted.

**700 SPANISH ACRES DR** Brick, 3BR, 2BA has fireplace will go VA or FHA. \$49,500.

**5248 Lambart on the water** \$59,900. 3BR; 2BA near Bayou Caddy. Like new.

**1002 RIVER DRIVE** \$31,500. Mobile home on water front, 3BR, 1BA.

**6093 THIRD ST.** Mobile home owner finance on 100 x 150 with screen porch. 12 x 20. \$17,000/ \$3000 down, notes \$183.69 at 9%, 10 years.

**2 ACRES OFF LOWR BAY ROAD** \$12,000.

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## Research improves tomatoes' flavor

By Dr. Milo Burnham  
Mississippi Cooperative  
Extension Service  
Much research has been  
conducted on tomato flavor. No  
tomato tastes as good as one  
harvested, red-ripe from the  
vine.

Some Mississippi gardeners  
are already harvesting and eat-  
ing garden-ripe tomatoes. Not  
too many years ago the recom-  
mendation was made not to  
refrigerate tomatoes because  
refrigeration not only hastened  
the breakdown of the tomato

but also interfered with the  
flavor.

A more recent recommenda-  
tion was not to cut a tomato  
until just before it was to be  
eaten because the volatile fla-  
vor components were lost if the  
cut tomato sat around for a little  
while.

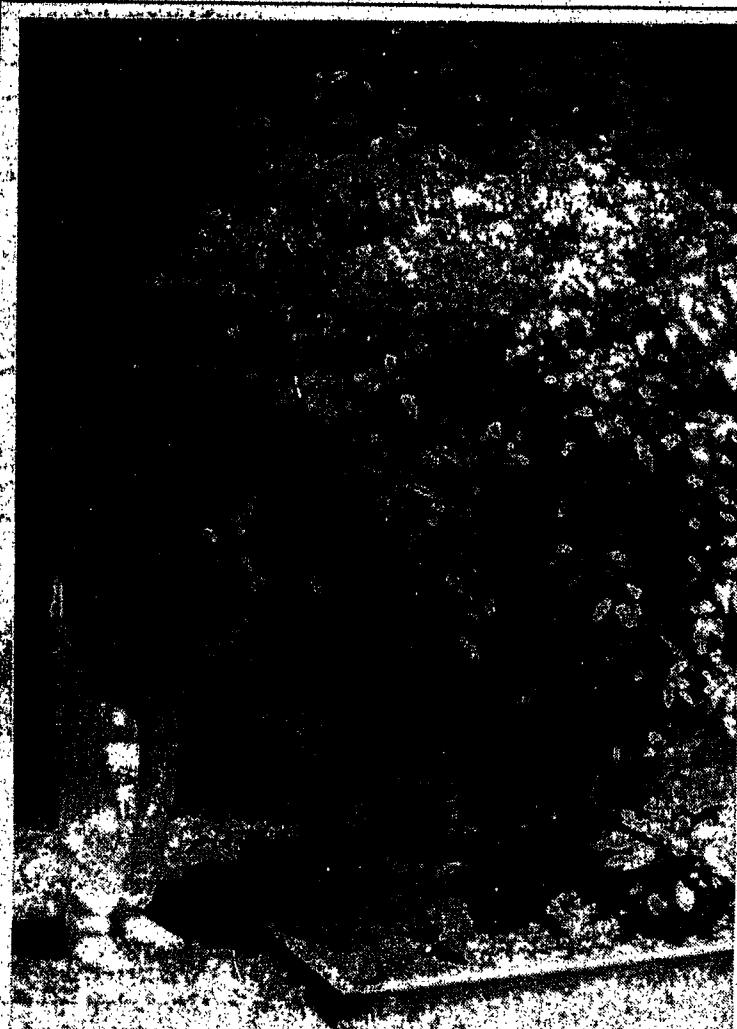
If you are wondering what is  
meant by volatile components,  
they are simply chemical com-  
pounds in the ripe tomato fruit  
that are unstable — meaning  
they break down or evaporate  
quickly.

Gardeners are interested in  
what to do to have good-tasting  
garden tomatoes. I frequently

two tomato complex carbon  
compounds.

In the tomato varieties  
tested, the hexenal and ketone  
levels differed between the var-  
ieties. The USDA researchers  
found that green tomatoes  
stored under low and high  
temperatures (55 degrees and  
80 to 90 degrees) had reduced  
levels of flavor volatiles.

Until now tomato breeders  
have been unable to determine  
if the plants they were working  
with would produce tomatoes  
with good flavor. Breeders have  
looked at yield, fruit size, lack of  
defects and disease resistance.



### Healthy is an understatement

Terry Guenard stands next to two patio tomato plants towering  
nine feet, planted in April. Guenard stated she prepares the soil  
in the square foot garden prior to planting by replenishing the  
garden with new soil and fertilizer. After planting she uses  
Peters 20-20-20 fertilizer. Guenard reported this is the second  
year her tomato plants have reached such astonishing heights.  
(Photo by Hamilton Guenard)



am asked which are the best-  
tasting varieties or if there is a  
special fertilizer that can be  
used to improve flavor.

Some tomato varieties taste  
better than others. Tomatoes  
picked green and ripened by  
commercial gassing or by set-  
ting them on the kitchen count-  
er or windowsill to ripen, lack  
good flavor.

Greenhouse tomato growers  
tried to increase the level of  
potassium in their fertilizer  
when the tomatoes started to  
ripen in the belief that potas-  
sium would sharpen the flavor a  
bit. Many greenhouse grown  
tomatoes a few years ago had a  
flavor best described as flat.

In addition to the involve-  
ment of volatile compounds in  
tomato flavor, acids and sugars  
in tomato fruit also play a role.  
Tomato varieties differ to some  
degree in the "bite" or sharp-  
ness of the flavor.

For years there was the belief  
that yellow and pink tomatoes  
had less acid, but I believe  
research has shown them to  
have more sugar which tends to  
flatten the flavor. When the  
level of acidity in ripe tomato  
fruit was measured using a pH  
meter, all the fruit of the some  
150 varieties tested had about  
the same pH.

Researchers in a USDA  
laboratory say that a few vola-  
tiles have been singled out as  
important to fresh tomato aro-  
ma and that they differ in  
amount in different tomato  
varieties.

Researchers isolated 16 fla-  
vor components, nine of which  
showed significant differences  
between varieties. The volatile  
flavor and aroma components  
identified are chemically hex-  
enals, the major aldehydes in  
tomatoes, and ketones. Aldehydes and ketones are just

Breeders may now have a  
way to select breeding lines  
with a high content of flavor vol-  
atiles that when combined with  
the proper sugar and acid levels  
may produce tomatoes with  
superior flavor. Until then we'll  
have to be content with the gar-  
den tomatoes we are growing,  
which taste great when com-  
pared to those gassed tomatoes  
we've been eating all winter.

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Thursday — Fruit Juice, Sausage  
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LUNCH

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## Avoid irritations from poison ivy

Thriving on Mississippi's hot,  
humid climate, poison ivy is  
very common in the state and  
causes discomfort for 80 to 85  
percent of the population.

Dr. Milo Burnham, extension  
horticulture specialist at Mis-  
sissippi State University, said  
poison ivy and poison oak have  
similar three-leaf patterns and  
should not be confused with the  
five-leaf Virginia creeper. Poi-  
son oak is the least common of  
the plants and rarely found in  
the state.

"Poison ivy is spread mainly  
by birds who feed on its clusters  
of white berries, which are pre-  
sent in late summer and early  
fall," Burnham said. "Poison ivy  
can be found as either a shrub or  
a vine."



The horticulturist said in  
most cases a person must come  
in contact with the plant. Occa-  
sionally, the poison may be  
transmitted from a pet who has  
been exposed or from clothing  
that has touched the plants.  
Reaction to the plants will occur  
12 to 48 hours after contact.

For those who are extremely  
sensitive, pollen under normal  
conditions or oil in the air from  
burning plants may cause an  
adverse reaction. Therefore,  
burning is not recommended for  
eliminating the plant.

Burnham recommended the  
use of herbicides for removing  
the plants. More than one appli-  
cation may be required to  
ensure thorough removal. Use  
caution when removing dead  
plants after spraying with  
herbicides.

"The liquid blisters that  
result in serious cases will not  
spread the poison," Burnham  
said. "The primary concern is  
the secondary infections result-  
ing from blisters."

In case of the possibility  
of a severe reaction, avoid touch-  
ing sensitive parts of the body  
or clothing. Wash hands. If blis-  
ters are present, do not scratch  
them.

feet.

Exercise caution in seasons  
other than summer when it is  
easy to distinguish. Because of  
its bright, colorful leaves, many  
mistakenly cut the plant for  
ornamental reasons in the fall.  
In the winter, when no leaves  
are present, reactions may be  
caused by breaking roots or  
plant stems.

Dr. Bob Collins, staff physi-  
cian at the John C. Longest  
Health Center at MSU, advised  
consultation with a physician  
whenever the rash covers more  
than 5 percent of the body or if  
infection is occurring. If blisters  
have a yellowish rather than  
clear discharge, professional  
medical attention is necessary.

"Four factors impacting re-  
actions to poison ivy are the  
amount of resin that makes ini-  
tial contact with the skin, the  
length of time it is on the skin  
before being washed off, the  
thickness of the skin and indi-  
vidual sensitivity," Collins said.

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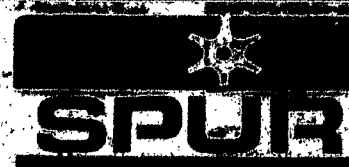
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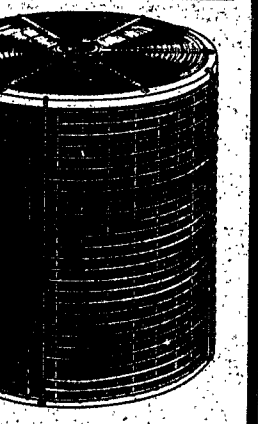
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# Welcome...

Mississippi's fastest-growing county extends Southern hospitality to all who visit

BY JANET MCQUEEN

For the past few years Hancock County has been described as "the fastest-growing county in the state."

A drive down Highway 90 attests to this growth...Streams of traffic (including taxi cabs) line the newly lighted thoroughfare morning, noon and night; fast food parking lots are full around the clock...

Casino Magic's colorful computerized neon sign flashes the non-stop activities which characterize Bay St. Louis's newest and most influential industry...

Stennis Space Center bustles with activity...

Chartered airplanes of casino-goers are landing daily at Stennis

Airport...

New home construction is steady in Diamondhead...

Now take a slow drive along the picturesque Waveland beachfront.

Lazy days of fishing and sunbathing beckon the resident as well as the visitor.

Cozy shops brimming with anti-

ques and original art line Main Street.

A historic train depot is on the way to being restored to its original glory.

It's all happening here, and it's happening fast.

Have a closer look at the county we call home...

## Bay St. Louis

Shaping the future with attention to the past

BY TRACI BONNEY

"Progress with preservation" was the slogan that second-term Bay St. Louis Mayor Edward Favre used in his first election campaign four years ago. If anything epitomizes that slogan, it's City Hall.

Until recent months, the building on Second Street that has "City Hall" across its facade has been the only building that housed the city government. It is a historic building, part of the city's past.

When the Americans with Disabilities Act mandated that governments and businesses comply with federal guidelines concerning accessibility and other issues, the city faced a problem. Some of its offices, includ-

of the annex and in the old City Hall.

### TAX REDUCTION

Ask Favre what he thinks the city's biggest accomplishment last year was, and there is no hesitation; he immediately grins and mentions an 85 percent municipal tax reduction approved by the Council last fall.

The city slashed municipal taxes, knowing that Casino Magic would more than make up the difference through a user fee the Council negotiated with the casino in lieu of a passenger boarding fee. The city had received state permission through a local and private bill to levy a fee of up to \$2.50 per person on anyone boarding a dockside casino vessel,

priority for the city, so has improving services to residents.

Favre said the city started a paving program last year that saw 6½ to seven miles of roadway paved; plans are to continue the work in the upcoming fiscal year.

A major sewer extension and renovation program was started last year as well. The three-phase program calls for the extension of sewer services to the city's two annexed areas (the Cedar Point area, home of Casino Magic, is the most recent land annexation), then an upgrading of existing services.

A major improvement project has been the lighting of Hwy. 90. After a couple of years' worth of state government red tape, numerous studies and long hours of planning, the median of Hwy. 90 from the city's east limits to its west boundary has streetlights.

Although the lights number one fewer than hoped — Favre said someone put one pole out of commission by running into it — the city is hoping to see the streetlights lit for the first time Tuesday night.

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**BAY SAINT LOUIS**

A PLACE APART

ing the mayor's, and most of its meetings — City Council and Planning and Zoning Commission among them — were on the second floor.

Instead of undertaking a costly renovation that might not have been true to the historical nature of the building, city officials decided to find an annex.

So now, the Bay St. Louis City Hall includes a historic building, an anchor to the city's past, and a new building, a symbol of the future. The annex, the old Peoples Federal Bank building on Court Street, was purchased last year and has been occupied for several months now.

The first floor houses the mayor's office, the utility department, the Council's meeting area and the office of Bay St. Louis Development Foundation director Mike Cuevas. Other offices are located on the second floor

but the casino preferred to foot the bill through a user fee.

So, as Favre smiled and put it, "We gave up about \$150,000 through the tax cut to gain about \$2 million. Not a bad trade."

The tax reduction means that city residents pay about 20 percent less on their total taxes, since they do still have to pay school and county taxes. However, they are paying less on property, business, car and other taxes.

"The tax reduction did two things," Favre commented. "It gave every city taxpayer a break, and it said that the city won't take money it doesn't need."

The city also has reduced utility rates at least three times in the past two years.

### MAINTENANCE

While cutting expenses has been a



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## Bay

HIGHWAY Favre said Chamber of Commerce member Cation plans are considered full, low-maintenance along the highway. Some flags decorations light poles.

"The highway between \$2 million we want them for both visitors," Favre explained.

The increase in traffic since the matter of construction part of the annual Planning traffic Coastal officials are available study so that the problem.

"We're looking at having installing traffic lights. We need them there are several could benefit.

For a week at the Main Road/Hwy. 90 in Bay St. Louis, light is at the McLaurin area. Between the miles of highway nothing to see.

The city is program that it's not the recycling program is the first Gulf Coast.

Gulf Coast profit organization has relied on paper, plastic recycling center making houses. "We're doing Gulf Coast with Waste explained."

## Bay takes

BY Bay St. Louis photographer good thing. Those things of people.

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## Bay St. Louis

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### HIGHWAY BEAUTIFICATION

Favre said the city has met with Chamber Beautification Committee member Carol Vegas about beautification plans for the highway. They are considering planting some colorful, low-maintenance flowers; studying the best way to deal with signs along the highway; and planning some flags and banners as seasonal decorations for the newly-installed light poles.

"The highway lighting costs were between \$230,000 and \$240,000, so we want the highway to look its best for both visitors and residents," Favre explained.

The increased traffic on the highway since the casino opened is a matter of concern to the city, and part of the subject of a Gulf Regional Planning Commission study of traffic Coastwide. Favre said city officials are awaiting the results of that study so they can begin to address the problem.

"We're looking at the possibility of having installed at least one more traffic light on Hwy. 90," Favre said. "We need breaks in the traffic, and there are several places the light could benefit us."

For a westbound driver, the light at the Main Street/Bluemeadow Road/Hwy. 90 intersection is the last in Bay St. Louis. The next traffic light is at the intersection of McLaurin and Hwy. 90 in Waveland. Between the two lights is about two miles of highly-traveled roadway with nothing to slow the flow of traffic.

### RECYCLING

The city has started a recycling program that is something of a first. It's not the first city or community recycling program in the area, but it is the first curbside program run by Gulf Coast Recycling.

Gulf Coast Recycling is a non-profit organization that until now has relied on people bringing their paper, plastic, metal and glass to recycling centers. Now, GCR is making house calls.

"We're doing our recycling through Gulf Coast Recycling in conjunction with Waste Management," Favre explained. "That means that if Gulf

Coast Recycling has a problem and can't make a pickup one day, Waste Management will be there to back them up, sort of like big brother watching out for little brother."

The recycling program, a voluntary one that Favre said has an average 60 percent participation rate at this time, includes pickup one time a week. The mayor said those participating in the program are paying no extra fee.

"The program costs about \$5,800 a month, and we did it without increasing the utility rates to the residents. The recycling reduces the amount of garbage being picked up for disposal in a landfill, and may eventually eliminate the need for twice weekly pickups."

Meanwhile, the city is working with Waveland and the county on a state-mandated 30-year garbage collection and disposal plan. Favre said the three governments are considering several options, including combined pickup and disposal, or individual pickup and combined disposal.

### ZONING

The city, which has a population of more than 8,000 and is growing steadily, has been studying a problem that will increase in magnitude if not handled soon: zoning. Although the city has zoning ordinances, those ordinances are old and may not adequately address residential and business needs of the city now.

Favre said the city has made progress in the formulation of a comprehensive city plan, zoning ordinance and city map. The consulting firm of Buckhurst Hutton Fish Katz did most of the work to lay the foundations for the plan, ordinance and map, and now the city's planning and zoning commission is working on the matter.

Favre said they hope to have the work completed and ready to present in public hearings within the next six months.

"I know some people think we're being too slow with this, but we'd rather do it right the first time than have to go back and re-do it a bunch of times," he commented.

## Bay Development Foundation takes on depot, other projects

BY TRACI BONNEY

Bay St. Louis is like a photographer's darkroom these days; good things are developing.

Those things are thanks to a number of people and organizations,

including Michael Cuevas and the board of the city's Main Street revitalization program, otherwise known as the Bay St. Louis Development Foundation.

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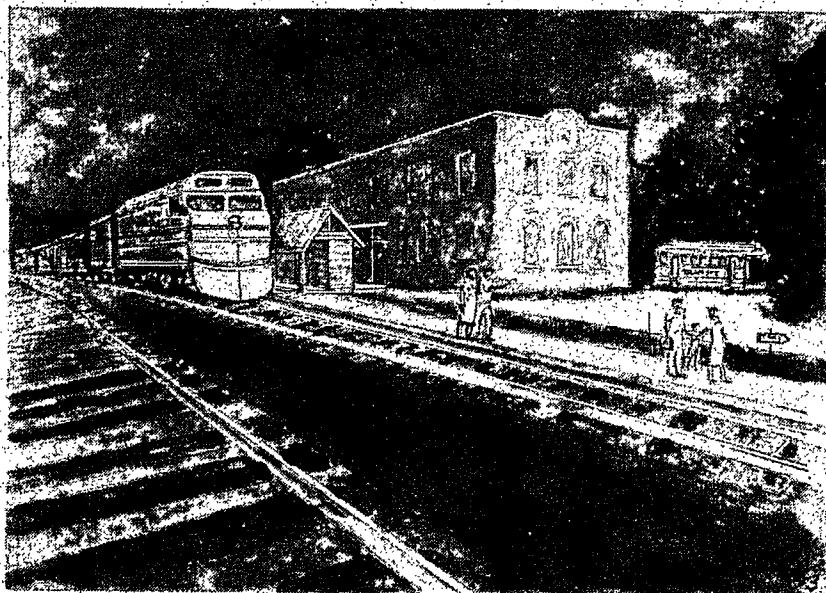
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# Diamondhead

## Dramatic changes in former resort community

BY TRACI BONNEY

In a county which is becoming known as one of the fastest growing in the state, Diamondhead is one of the fastest growing communities.

Exit 16 of Interstate 10 is the entry point into the community. South of the interchange is the marina and Yacht Club (under contract management for about a month now), the community's own airstrip (the only other in the county is at Stennis Airpark), and residential developments.

North of the interchange you'll find the majority of Diamondhead, which at this point is virtually a city in all but name. The community is not incorporated, but does boast a retail area, retirement home, dentist's office, contract postal unit and a number of businesses.

Diamondhead also has its own water and sewer systems, a fire department and security staff. A family medical clinic will be built near the retirement home in the near future.

The 6,400-acre community includes two 18-hole golf courses and a pro shop; a country club with meeting and banquet facilities and a swimming pool; three recreation areas with pools (one area includes a ball field); three churches meeting in buildings of their own, one that currently holds services in the community center, a Jewish community and other denominations; and a private academy.

The community also has a Rotary Club, a Business and Professional Association, and numerous other civic and social organizations.

### POPULATION EXPLOSION

According to Business and Professional Association president Jon Ritten Sr., the population of Diamondhead has grown from 2,800 in 1987 to about 4,500 in 1992.

"We believe the population will cross the 5,000 mark this year," Ritten commented. "At this point, we're seeing an average of 200 new homes built in a year."

Paul Montjoy, general manager of the Diamondhead Property Owners Association (POA), said, "Property values hit bottom in 1989. Since

then, we've seen a significant increase in property sales and size.

"Generally, the people that have bought property in the last five years or so have had a use for it. Those who sold the property, usually just to get rid of it, had for the most part bought it in the early 1970s.

"A lot of these people are now in their late 60s and early 70s, and are selling off any holdings that are not of use to them. So, we're seeing sales of about 600 existing lots per year now. That doesn't mean 600 new houses, of course, because many houses are on more than one lot."

growth in the 23-year-old community was centered in East Diamondhead. Now, however, houses are being built

"Where once this area was seen as mostly a retirement community, now many families with children are mov-

*"People aren't moving here just for the amenities. They are coming here because they like the location, safety, security, cleanliness and low cost of living..."*

—Montjoy

in other areas.

This growth does have its limits, however. Montjoy explained, "In a

ing into the area," he remarked. "A couple of good indicators of that are that the size of homes being built and the number of children in the baseball program have both increased."

Ritten concurred, saying that an estimated 644 children now live in Diamondhead. Of that number, about 100 have enrolled at Diamondhead Academy.

Montjoy said those who are moving into the community are not necessarily doing so because of the golf courses, Yacht Club or pools.

Only about 20 percent of the population plays golf, and about 30 percent of the total population (including the golfers) use the communities recreational amenities, he estimated.

"People aren't moving here just for the amenities," Montjoy stated. "They are coming here because they like the location, safety, security, cleanliness and low cost of living of Diamondhead. In addition, we have some of the highest elevations in the county (up to 100 feet above sea level in some places), which is good in case of hurricanes and heavy rains."

### PROS AND CONS

Because of the residential growth, the POA has doubled its funds for expenses such as road paving and maintenance, Montjoy said.

"By 1994, virtually every street will have been repaved at least once," he stated. "About 70 percent of the street paving that has been accomplished has been done since 1990, and about 50 percent will be done in the 1993-94 fiscal year."

Of course, such rapid growth does demand that the community keep up



Ducks paddle on the pond at the Diamondhead entrance

### PROPERTY VALUES

Montjoy continued, "At this point, we have about 2,200 lots tied up with houses in Diamondhead, and about 3,800 more lots still to be sold. At the rate lots are selling here, theoretically all the lots would turn over at least one time in six years.

"This is important to property values, because as more lots sell and more homes are built, property values go up throughout the community."

Montjoy said that for a time,

way, Diamondhead can't grow. There are wetlands to the west and south, and significant land holdings to the east and north, and I doubt many of those land owners will part with their property for the growth of Diamondhead.

"By the same token, we don't have to worry about urban sprawl and the problems it brings."

### WHO LIVES THERE

The demographics of Diamondhead have changed dramatically in the last eight years, Montjoy said.

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with infrastructure needs such as security, roads, fire protection, sewer, water and other sanitation services.

Montjoy said that one element Diamondhead lacks as a "semi-planned community" is long-range planning for the retail area. The community has its own restrictive covenants, but most of these apply to residential concerns.

However, the retailers are working together voluntarily on some issues, such as signage.

Montjoy said, "The retailers have agreed among themselves on signage needs and are in the process of implementing a uniform signage policy."

include businesses of a service nature, such as dentist and doctor's offices, architecture and law offices, and possibly regional sales offices for national companies. It will have its own restrictive covenants that will be sensitive to the tenants' and customers' needs and wants."

The development, named Indian Hill because — according to local lore — old trails used by Native Americans in the region seem to converge at the point where the development starts, at present includes Coast Delta Realty, the new post office and a dental office. Plans for the future include a park area and several small man-made lakes in

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### INDIAN HILL

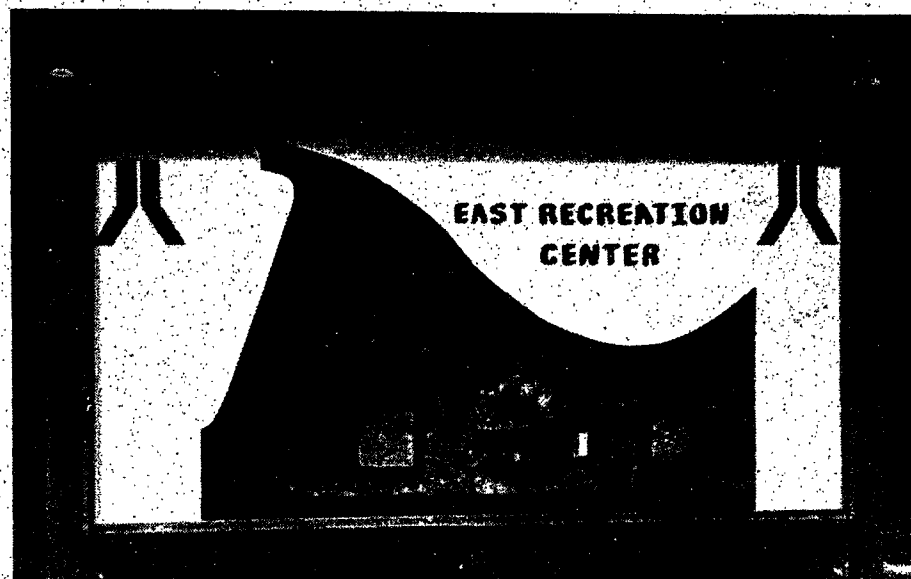
Some planning is coming into play in the fledgling Indian Hill development. Ritten, whose Coast Delta Realty is developing the 18-acre area, explained that Indian Hill will be a business and professional "campus" of sorts.

"The Indian Hill development will

addition to the buildings.

"We're building as the demand arises," Ritten said. "That way, we don't put up a building without a tenant for it, and no one loses any money on the deal."

The Indian Hill development is located for the most part north of



*A full-color design shows expansion plans at Diamondhead's East Recreation Center*

Aloha Drive, which has an estimated traffic count of 8,000 cars a day, but does include about two acres south of that street. Ritten said those two

acres will probably be home to fast-food restaurants, service stations, and other businesses appropriate to the proximity of the interstate.

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# Waveland

## City gets clean bill of health from auditors

BY TRACI BONNEY

**W**aveland Mayor Stella Frilot and her staff have produced a "first" for the city of 5,370 residents — the city government received its first letter of clean management from state auditors this fiscal year.

"That means that everything is done as it should be; all the proper procedures are being followed for money transfers, expenditures, etc.," Frilot explained. "My staff and I are really proud of that letter; it means a lot to us."

And what have been some of the city's expenditures in the last year? City Hall has been painted and refurbished; the city hall annex next door has been repaired and spruced up; and a city sewer expansion program has been completed, among other things.

Frilot said the city will continue its sewer work during the next fiscal year with a small expansion program.

The city also has negotiated with CSX Railroad for the title to the Elwood Bourgeois Park at Central and Waveland Avenue, and should take possession of the park in the near future.

"That's a misconception a lot of people have had, that the city owned the park," Frilot explained. "We have just been leasing it from the railroad. However, we should take title to it soon."

Another financial matter that concerns the city is its flood insurance rates. Fortunately, those recently were reduced because of various mat-

ters the city and its residents have addressed.

"Waveland and Ocean Springs now have the lowest rates on the Coast," the mayor noted. "This time we got a five percent reduction; we're going for another 15 percent next year."

### CITY GROWTH

Although Waveland is not growing as rapidly as Diamondhead or Bay St. Louis, Frilot said, the city is see-

ing some expansion in both business and residential numbers. "We are seeing some new houses being built, although not a huge number of them," she remarked. "We're also seeing a number of new businesses or changes to existing businesses."

Perhaps the biggest new business to locate in Waveland is Shoney's Restaurant, which will be built next to Dairy Queen at Hwy. 90 and Nicholson Avenue.

The city also has seen the opening of a Fred's Dollar Store and the Hancock County campus of American Beauty College in the same shopping center (both next to National grocery

store); Dr. Leland Kendrick's family medicine office on Waveland Avenue; Daddy-O's restaurant (formerly the Donut Hole); Armand's Fine Dining; Hollywood Nails; Coast Grand Prix Go-Carts, next to McDonald's at Choctaw Plaza; the new Exxon station at Nicholson and Hwy. 90; the change of Trapani's Knock-Knock to the Knock-Knock Lounge, now owned by Gary Veglia; and the remodeling

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# WAVELAND

## Many miles to go

County's law officers cover much territory

BY TRACI BONNEY

**H**ancock County's law enforcement agencies have a lot of ground to cover in the course of their duties — actually, about 484 square miles.

The county boasts three law departments, some 60 officers (including the two chiefs and the sheriff) and countless auxiliary and reserve officers.

All three leaders — Sheriff Ronald Peterson, Bay St. Louis Police Chief Frank McNeil and Waveland Police Chief James Varnell — are veteran law officers. Peterson has been in law enforcement 22 years; McNeil has served both locally and in New Orleans for 29 years; and Varnell has 11 years of experience in the field.

Someone is always on duty in all three departments, with Bay St. Louis and the Sheriff's Department running patrols in 12-hour shifts and the Waveland Police Department operating in eight-hour shifts.

In addition to the three distinct agencies, the county has an interdepartmental unit, the Hancock County Metropolitan Narcotics Task Force. The task force is comprised of several officers from the three agencies, and has access to the canine officers in the Bay St. Louis and Sheriff's Department forces.

Bay St. Louis has two canine officers, Shane Corr and the drug tracing dog Champ, and Jeff Hair and the tracking dog Buddy.

The Sheriff's Department has a drug tracing dog handled by Deputy George Burleson. Waveland does not have a drug or tracking dog at this time, but Varnell said the department is looking into the possibility of purchasing a dog trained for both purposes.

### LOCAL DRUG PROBLEMS

All three law chiefs agreed that drugs are the county's major problem. Peterson said, "Any other problems — burglaries, armed robberies, rapes, murders — mostly come back to the drugs as their source. We feel that if we can control drugs and burglaries in the county, we'll have a good handle on most of the county's crime problems."

Varnell said his department has developed a working relationship with U.S. Customs, the FBI and the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA). He explained that drug dealers apparently are beginning to look at this area as a place to bring in their illegal merchandise because of the strictness with which other coastal counties are prosecuting offenders.

"We're working with Customs, the FBI and the DEA to an extent that we never have before," Varnell commented.

These working relationships are bearing fruit that will be beneficial to Waveland and, by extension, the county. "We've been promised a boat from Customs," Varnell remarked.

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"and we hope to join the DEA's drug task force soon."

## OTHER CRIME

Other than drugs and the illegal activities they spawn, the county has a relatively low rate of serious crime, Peterson said.

However, he also claimed that the Sheriff's Department averages 1,400 complaints a month, with an increase in domestic dispute calls. Although not every call results in an arrest, the jail houses about 2,500 to 3,000 inmates a year, he added.

"Granted, some of these people are from out of town and some are repeat offenders, but if every inmate that goes through the jail were a one-time offender and a local resident, roughly 10 percent of the county's population (about 34,000 residents) would see a jail cell from the inside every year," Peterson remarked.

Even so, he said, "We're very fortunate to live here; we really don't have a big influx of crime. We've had very few crime problems from the casino (Casino Magic at Cedar Point) so far; however, we realize that the more people come in to the casino, the greater potential there is for an increase in crime; and we will prepare for that influx."

McNeil said that the number of service calls for Bay St. Louis law officers has increased recently, but the crime rate has not. In fact, he stated, the residential burglary rate has dropped significantly — 30 percent — over last year.

## FUTURE CHANGES

Preparation, for all three departments, for future crime increases will include increasing the number of law officers. All three chiefs said they plan at some future time to add more personnel.

McNeil said he plans to add two more officers to his staff in the near future and has tentative approval to hire four more officers as needed.

Varnell said Waveland has no immediate plans to add personnel, since the department's size has increased within the past two years. However, at some time more personnel will be needed, he added.

With added personnel comes the need for more equipment. McNeil, Varnell and Peterson all said they would need to purchase new vehicles, surveillance and protection equipment at some point.

## PRESENT STATUS

The three chiefs do not think only of the future. They also have made it a high priority to maintain and improve existing equipment, and to keep their staff fully trained.

The three local law offices continually update their officers' knowledge and skills through courses, seminars and practice at the county's new firing range on Bayou La Croix Road.

The departments also constantly upgrade their equipment, including installing computer systems for record storage, facilitating the pinpointing of crime "hot spots", and other functions.

At this time, all Bay St. Louis police officers are protected while on duty by bulletproof vests. McNeil said he wants to purchase vests for his auxiliary officers as well.

Part of the Sheriff's Department equipment upgrading includes the installation of a system that allows the jail to monitor inmates' calls by indicating the phone numbers of incoming and outgoing calls, so that if officers deem it necessary to trace a call for security reasons, they can.

The department also has a county farm worked by the inmates. Peterson said it serves two purposes.

"First, it helps cut costs by providing vegetables for the inmates; and second, we've found that those inmates who have worked all day at the farm sleep better at night."

Most of the food produced at the farm is used to feed the inmates, Peterson stated. Any surplus vegetables are donated either to the Senior Citizens Center or the county Food Pantry.

The department's newest staff addition is a county animal warden. Peterson said the warden, who has been working just over a year, has been a godsend because of the increase in animal problem calls throughout the county.

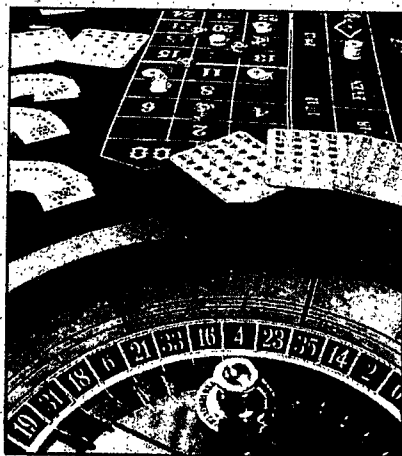
The newest facility expansion has been a recently completed jail addition which allows the county to house 25 to 30 more inmates, for a total capacity of 125 to 130 inmates. The jail currently houses about 100 inmates.

Some of those inmates — about 22 currently — are in the custody of the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS). Many are Cubans who came to the U.S. during the Mariel boat lifts of 1980.

The Sheriff's Department receives \$46 a day per inmate to feed, clothe and shelter the INS detainees. Since it does not cost that much on a daily basis to house the inmates, the INS money constitutes the majority

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# Board of Supervisors

## Park work big on list of accomplishments

BY TRACI BONNEY

A large part of the supervisors' work during this fiscal year has been almost literally a day in the park.

The board has approved the construction of a park at Lakeshore, the lighting of the ball field at the Necaise Crossing park and the materials to construct restrooms and concession stands at that one and the Kiln park, the purchase of playground equipment for the Pearlinton park, work on the office and other facilities at McLeod Water Park, and the leasing of land to Bay Area Youth Soccer for a soccer field at the Civic Center behind the fairgrounds.

Of course, recreation has not been the only thing on the supervisors' minds. They have approved the repainting and exterior refurbishing of the courthouse in a color scheme and fixture design more in keeping with the building's historical value; assisted Hancock Medical Center in the refinancing of bonds that will save the hospital an estimated \$4.8 million over 18 years; and approved the addition of space to the county jail for the housing of up to 30 more inmates, as well as other projects.

The board had trash compactors installed at the convenience centers; saw to the construction of a concrete bridge to replace the wooden Turtle-skin bridge on Texas Flat Road; negotiated with the Army Corps of Engineers to obtain matching funds for three seawall repair projects worth a total of up to \$1.5 million; requested a State Highway Department study on the need for more traffic lights on Hwys. 90 and 603; continued to upgrade road and beach equipment, to work on the sand beach renourishment project, and to push for the four-laning of Hwy. 603.

That particular project is now underway after a contract was approved by the State Highway Department, and has a projected completion date of July 1994, barring any delays for utility relocation or other matters.

As for the beach project, which is nearly a decade old because of governmental and other snags, the supervisors say they now hope to see it complete by next summer. They want to have the whole beach renourished, but the extent of the project will depend on the location of the sand. The supervisors said they are eyeing a possible location which is close enough to do the whole beach.

### FUTURE PLANS

Projects for the upcoming fiscal year and further down the line include purchasing more new road and beach equipment; upgrading the status of roads throughout the county, including several that will come under the jurisdiction of the State Aid Road program; and the continued operation of a county mosquito control bureau that was established in January after the Gulf Coast Mosquito Control was dissolved.

When asked about the biggest issue facing the supervisors in coming years, they agreed unanimously that providing sewer service to the unincorporated parts of the county is that issue. State and federal regulations currently make it all but impossible for a private homeowner in most of Hancock County to install his or her own system, so the supervisors must look for alternatives.

In fact, they said, they currently have a grant application submitted to address that problem through extension of existing systems in Hancock County Wastewater District No. 1 to areas of its jurisdiction east of Hwy. 603.

Another problem facing the board is the Americans With Disabilities Act, which mandates that the county government make all its services — including the meetings that are currently held on the second floor — accessible to those with handicapping conditions.

"We'll have to either add onto the building or relocate," District 4 Supervisor Wilmer Seymour said.

### COMMENTS

The five board members agreed that the role of supervisor has changed in recent years, especially in light of the county's rapid growth.

"I don't think Hancock County will ever be small again," Seymour said.

District 1 Supervisor Robert Peterson contributed, "A supervisor's job is a full-time position, I can tell you that. In fact, we've been talking about hiring a full-time planner for the county, because we just can't do it all."

District 2 Supervisor Alton "Dolph" Kellar agreed. "I know we're losing out on grants because we don't have a planner. Those cities and counties that do have planners are getting grants for recreation, roads, housing, fire protection, libraries and other things that we don't even know about."

Even so, Mike Ladner said, "Hancock County is setting an example

for other counties to follow. We've been getting numerous calls from supervisors in other parts of the state, asking us how to go about doing certain things."

Howard Lizana best summed up the board's job: "We've got a lot of work that needs to be done, and we have to roll up our sleeves and get to it."

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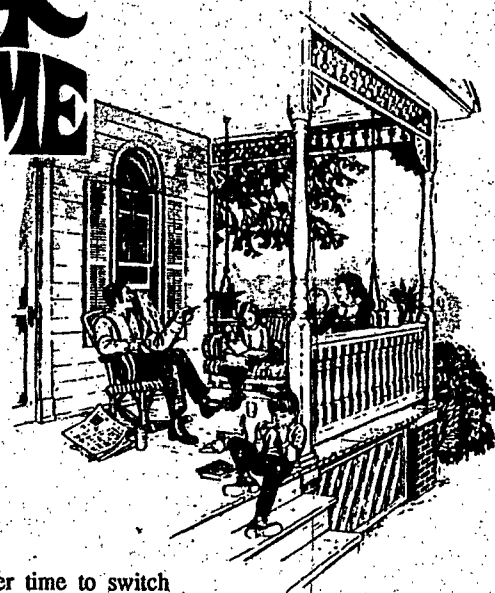
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# Civil Defense

## It's not just hurricane response any more

BY TRACI BONNEY

In Hancock County, Civil Defense and Robert Boudin are almost synonymous. Boudin is entering his 17th year with the office.

However, Boudin harbors no illusions about the real working force behind the office.

"Civil Defense isn't just this office. It includes everyone who works for city, county and state government, all the churches and all the volunteer groups in the area," he stated.

In time of an emergency, the more workers the better, he explained.

"We can't do everything here. We need shelter volunteers; we need the law offices and the fire departments. Everyone has a part to play."

What the Civil Defense office does do is vital, though. It prepares for tornados, hurricanes and other emergencies; tries to mitigate the effect of a storm or other threat through evacuation and other measures; responds to the threat and its effects in the county; and aids in the county's recovery afterward.

Part of the Civil Defense office's

a hazardous materials spill if necessary. It was a one-time purchase, however.

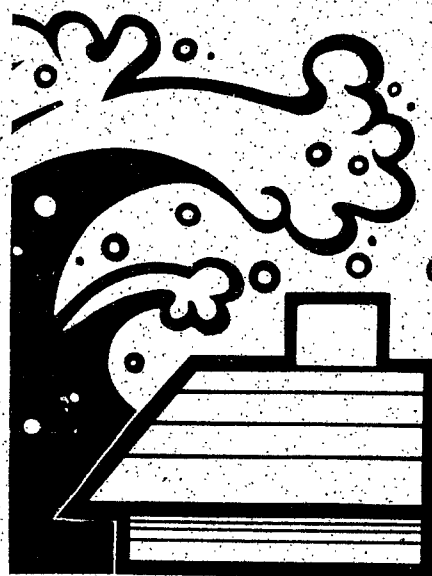
"If the team uses that equipment to handle a spill, the company responsible for the spill is billed for the replacement equipment," Boudin explained.

The team will not handle every spill that occurs. "Sometimes, the team will be able to go in and turn off a valve, and that will be the end of it," he said.

"Sometimes, though, the team will need to let the state deal with it. In that case, the team will seal off the area to make sure no one is exposed to the materials, and wait for the state to come in."

Another facet of hazardous materials handling is the chemicals used by local industries. Boudin said that thanks to Title III, the Right to Know Act, his office has access to reports from each industry about the type and quantity of chemicals they use, and the locations of those chemicals within plants and other buildings.

Defense office purchased a new National Warning System (NAWAS) phone/scanner. The NAWAS system



enables the office to give or receive advanced warning of storms or other threats, such as a nuclear attack, and gives the office an opportunity to check on weather conditions in other areas.

"If a teacher wants to take her students on a field trip to Mobile, we can check for her to see what the

weather is like there.

"Or if someone calls us and says they are traveling north, and it has been snowing, we can find out what the weather and road conditions are in the rest of the state or in other states."

Even with the NAWAS system (the Sheriff's Department also has one of the phones) and the impending change of National Weather Service office jurisdiction, the Civil Defense office has some items on its storm planning/response wish list.

"I need to have a list of the handicapped people in the area," he said. "If anyone out there is handicapped and needs assistance in evacuating, or may need life support systems, they need to call me at 467-9226. We've tried to create such programs before, like the Vial of Life program, but we haven't had any response."

"Also, we need generators at the shelters. Our storm shelters are schools and former schools — Bay Middle, Waveland Elementary, Hancock High, St. Rose de Lima, St. Stephen and Annunciation — and Bay High School is an alternate shelter. None of them have generators. If the electricity goes, a school just shuts down, you know."

"We use Hotel Reed as our senior citizen shelter, and the Main Street

*"We can't do everything here. We need shelter volunteers; we need the law offices and the fire departments. Everyone has a part to play."*

*—Boudin*

preparation includes forming liaisons with the schools. Boudin said the office has volunteers who are trained as school monitors.

These monitors can give instructions to school officials in the event of a major storm, hazardous materials spill, or other problem. This enables the Civil Defense office to focus on responding to and mitigating the damage from the problem.

### HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

Hazardous materials spills are becoming a major concern, Boudin commented. "Many of the schools in the county are near the railroad tracks. If a train car carrying hazardous materials derails, we have a real problem on our hands."

One measure the office has taken to combat the problem is to establish a hazardous materials team, comprised of volunteers from the county's fire departments.

Diamondhead Fire Department Chief Dennis Westbrook is in charge of the group.

The county purchased the equipment that allows the team to handle

"That way, if a firefighter is going into a burning building to extinguish the blaze, we'll know where the person is going and whether or not it's safe."

### STORMS

In the event of a hurricane, the Civil Defense office acts as an information gathering and dissemination center, opens shelters, assists in evacuations and performs numerous other tasks in responding to the storms.

At this time, the office is under the jurisdiction of the Mobile office of the National Weather Service. However, Boudin said, Hancock County soon will be under the Slidell office, which will be beneficial in several ways.

"Slidell has the state-of-the-art radar storm tracking system, whereas Mobile's radar was installed in the 1950s," he commented. "Also, because our tornados come from the southwest, we haven't had any warning time until now. Being under Slidell, we'll have some time to prepare for a tornado."

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Civil Defense Director Bobby Boudin

United Methodist Church day care center for the handicapped shelter. If needed, we can run an extension cord to that one, for people who need to run life support systems. But we really need generators for all the shelters."

### EDUCATION

A big part of the Civil Defense office's preparation to face natural and other disasters is education.

Boudin attends training classes himself, including a weeklong session at the National Hurricane Center in Florida recently, and gives classes and programs for the schools and the general public.

*"I think that if people and families will study things and plan ahead, everyone can survive anything that hits us here, because this is God's country."*

—Boudin

School programs include talks about weather, hazardous materials and nuclear attack; and showing a tape call Weather Class.

The tape, created by Dr. Neil Frank, former director of the National Hurricane Center, explains the causes of bad weather, and tells how people can protect themselves in the event of a serious storm. Each school in the county has a copy, as does the local library.

The library also has available tapes about major hurricanes of the past. Boudin said he has had to replace the library's copy of Weather Class because so many people have checked it out that they have worn

it out.

Boudin also gives annual tornado spotter classes for anyone who is interested. For information about the next class, call 467-9226.

### NUCLEAR ATTACK

Although the chances are slim that Hancock County will ever be the target of a nuclear attack, one never knows, so the Civil Defense office must remain informed on that subject as well.

The local office received information and instructions on how to respond to a nuclear attack in the recent past, during the turmoil surrounding the former Soviet Union.

At that time, many government leaders did not know the whereabouts of the codes to launch Soviet nuclear missiles. For a brief time, it was a real possibility that the United States could come under attack.

Therefore, the U.S. Civil Defense kept its local offices informed as to what to do in the unlikely event that an attack did occur.

Boudin, after receiving the information from Civil Defense and other federal organizations, held a press conference with local officials and media to inform them of events as

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# Bay-Waveland Schools

## Municipal district is on the grow

BY TRACI BONNEY

**T**he Bay St. Louis-Waveland school system is facing a growing challenge.

The challenge is how to grow within the space and time limitations the district has.

Superintendent Paul Tisdale, who has been at his post for one school year, said the district is close to its space capacity at the elementary and middle schools. "We're going to have to look at a building program in the near future. We may need to add some new classrooms and teacher units in some places."

physical plant concerns include some renovation/repair work on buildings, the construction of a running track sometime in the near future, and addressing the current parking and traffic flow problems at Waveland Elementary, Tisdale said.

### PROGRAMS

Another growth challenge is finding a way to implement new programs and still give the students at the high school an opportunity to take all the courses they want and need.

The high school is adding vocal music and Air Force Junior ROTC

of classes includes foreign languages, advanced math and science, and advanced placement programs.

### AP classes

The high school will be offering one advanced placement class in the 1993-94 school year, advanced placement English.

"A student who takes this course can earn both a Carnegie unit (the credits that count toward graduation from high school) and a college credit, if the student's score on a national examination for the course

is acceptable to the college he or she wants to enter," Tisdale commented.

### ROTC

The Air Force Junior ROTC program will be run by retired military personnel, an officer and a noncommissioned officer, and will offer a credit for aeronautical science to those students who complete the training.

The student also earns rank and pay increases he or she would not

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Although school officials said it is too early to project next year's enrollment in the district, last year's students numbered 2,325, which was a slight increase over the 1991-92 enrollment.

The school district is already one of the largest employers in the county, with some 250 administrative, certified and non-certified personnel on its payroll. The district is comprised of Waveland and North Bay Elementary schools, Bay Middle School and Bay Junior/Senior High School.

In addition to the possible future expansion of classroom space, other

programs; advanced placement English, French III and Spanish III classes; an alternative education program mandated by law for the junior and senior high schools; and instruction by satellite.

### Satellite instruction

Dr. Betty Jones, administrative assistant and Chapter I coordinator for the district, said the satellite instruction will be available both for students and for staff development on a limited basis through the Satellite Education Resources Consortium.

At this time, the district is uncertain as to which courses will be available to students, but a sample

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he knew them. He pledged to keep everyone concerned informed of any new information.

Thankfully, those updates were never needed.

### PLANNING

Boudin said his goal is to make sure all the people of Hancock County remain safe no matter what disaster occurs.

However, planning for storms and other disasters is not merely the

responsibility of the Civil Defense office, he said.

"Every family, every person needs to plan ahead. They need to study how they should respond to a given situation, then develop a plan of action."

"I think that if people and families will study things and plan ahead, everyone can survive anything that hits us here, because this is God's country."

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# Fire protection

Pate's priority to finish projects, start on new goals

BY TRACI BONNEY

**H**ancock County's new fire marshal, Richard Pate, has had a busy eight months.

He has investigated 46 fires and worked on numerous projects, including a dry hydrant system for the county and a revised mutual aid agreement between Mobile Medic and the local fire departments.

"Fire protection and investigation services in the county are pretty much on the same track Jay Marsh left them in," Pate said. "There haven't been a lot of changes yet, although the medical situation in the county is about to change."

"The fire departments (eight volunteer and three paid departments) are revising their mutual aid agreement with Mobile Medic so that the fire

whether it would be feasible to install the hydrants in those places."

Dry hydrants are a relatively new system of fire protection that utilize the natural water resources of an area. A hydrant taps into a bayou, river or other natural water source and uses a pipeline to make the water available to the firefighters.

Hancock County's fire protection service officials have been working on implementing such a system for some time, but have not been able as yet to actually establish a hydrant.

## TRAINING

The county sponsors an annual nine-week firefighter training school at the Hancock County Schools vocational-technical center. The current session began May 11.



"The fire departments are revising their mutual aid agreement with Mobile Medic so that the fire departments will be responding to more rural medical calls. This will help upgrade the response time."

—Pate

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"In addition, each volunteer fire department is working on a medical team system so that only medically trained personnel (first responders and Emergency Medical Technicians, or EMTs) will respond to medical calls. That will eliminate some of the chaos of having a lot of people rush out to a call, and will give the victims better medical care until the ambulance arrives."

## DRY HYDRANTS

"The dry hydrant project has been lying dormant for a while," Pate commented, "but we'll get back to work on it in a couple of weeks or so. We're working with the Soil Conservation Service (SCS) on it, and we have a couple of potential installation sites in mind. We have to show them to the SCS people and find out

"The volunteers are trained in all aspects of firefighting," Pate said.

Another area of training deals with hazardous materials. Pate said 40 firefighters and police officers recently attended a hazardous materials first response refresher course.

This training is important in Hancock County because of the chemicals and other hazardous materials that travel through the area on the railroad system and the highways. If a spill or leak were to occur, the county has personnel trained in sealing off the area and taking other measures needed to respond to the problem.

## PATE'S PROJECTS

Pate currently is working with Bayou Caddy Casino in the construction of their gambling facility.

"I'm consulting with their engi-

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neers to make sure their building and its protection measures are up to fire and safety codes."

He also continues his duties as county fire marshal, fire investigator and fire services coordinator.

As fire services coordinator, his job mainly consists of distributing insurance rebate money to the fire departments, disseminating state and federal information to the paid and volunteer personnel about fire protection issues, and working on purchasing equipment for the departments.

As marshal, Pate keeps up with fire safety inspections of public buildings and businesses in the county. As investigator, he works to determine the causes of fires in the county.

In eight months, he has investigated 46 fires, including at least 10 suspicious fires. He said three arrests on arson charges have been made in that time, and two deaths from accidental fires have occurred.

Pate spoke well of everyone who has worked with him in the last eight months. "I've had a lot of sup-



port from the fire departments, the supervisors and Sheriff's Department. The Sea Coast Echo and the general public. I also want to thank our state representatives and senators from this area for helping to pass legislation that will benefit firefighters throughout the state."

### PLANS

In addition to implementing the dry hydrant system, Pate would like to see the eventual establishment of one paid firefighter at each volunteer department.

"These firefighters would be on duty from 8 to 5, Monday-Friday, when the volunteers are at work.

This will help improve fire services in the county, and so will reduce insurance rates in the fire districts.

"However, I know the county is not financially set to do that right now. So, this is a future project."

Pate said he has several other plans and goals for the county's future in fire protection, but his priorities are with finishing current projects first.

"I want to get some things finished that are underway before we start anything new. It's going to take some time to accomplish everything, but if we take it in measured steps, we can improve fire protection service in the county."

## North Hancock

Businesses, individuals unite  
in the name of progress

BY LIZ HAAS

**T**he North Hancock Business and Professional Association, a non-political organization, was formed a year ago last December to promote growth in the northern part of the county.

The association has 56 active members and represents the business industry in the north part of the county.

"We are slowly starting, but can see the growth in the association already," said Billie Faye Lyons, president.

She said, "This part of the county is really growing."

The association met with Ronnie Shows, Southern District Highway Commissioner, this week to discuss the installation of turning lanes at the intersection of Highway 603 and Kiln-DeLisle Road.

"He told us the lanes will be installed soon," said Lyons.

She said the association is also trying to get a stop light at that intersection.

"We feel it is greatly needed because of the many traffic accidents there and the influx of traffic due to

the casinos," she said.

Last year, the association sponsored the first Christmas tree lighting in Kiln.

"It will be a tradition from now on," said Lyons.

The association hosted a Christmas party for the needy in Hancock County through donations of toys last December.

Lyons said the Christmas party for the needy this year will target families individually through the help of the welfare department and area churches.

The association meets the first Monday of the month at the Kiln Library.

Members of the association include Henley's Tire Service, Kiln Auto Parts, Dolly's Quick Stop, D & K, Rooster's, Kiln Library, Necaise Trucking Company, Johnny and Sue Richard, Fire Wood Fred, Lyon's Insurance, Theresa Culpepper, Couch Potato, Marine Trucking Company, Lee's Pallet Company, Lee's Animal Clinic, Henley's Logging, Harry Frier, Moran's Pest Control, Dave's Chainsaw Repair and Lacoste Air Condition.

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# Hancock Schools

County School system prepares for a bright future

BY LIZ HAAS

**W**ith the addition of 19 new programs in the upcoming school year and increased enrollment of 300 students since August 1992, the Hancock County School District is poised for unprecedented growth in years ahead.

"We are experiencing a tremendous amount of growth and are heading to be one of the finest districts in the state," said Superintendent Myrna Bourgeois.

Bourgeois said she has very high expectations of the district.

"It's overwhelming what we've accomplished this year, and it is representative of what we can do," she said.

school or are drop-outs and try to recruit them.

"The goal is to gear the learning situation to place these students back in a normal school setting," she said.

The Bay-Waveland School District will buy slots for students in the school and Pearl River and Picayune School Districts also have the opportunity to join the program.

The Hancock County Youth Court will be sending some students who go through the court system to the school in addition to the Job Training Partnership Act that will buy into the program, focusing on drop-outs.

\* Enrollment for the first year is

a National Innovative School Project for teacher training and retraining.

The district has also developed the following programs:

—South Central Bell Project for science fair projects training;

—Tapestry for understanding the use of physical science in industry;

—Technology 2000 Project to provide students and teachers in K-12 with modern technological equipment to utilize in the classroom

—Satellite and Distance Education,

—Drug and Alcohol Free Schools

and Communities Project;

—Tech Prep to integrate academic and vocational education;

—Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps and a new and innovative staff development.

The district offers an educational program for gifted students in grades 7-12 in addition to a full range of programs for students with handicaps ages 3-21.

The district recently started a

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*"We are experiencing a tremendous amount of growth and are heading to be one of the finest districts in the state."*

—Bourgeois

"I contribute this to the staff, parents and business leaders who have afforded us the opportunity to move ahead," she said.

The school district consists of three elementary schools and one high school, with approximately 3,044 students enrolled.

Schools in the district include Hancock North Central Elementary in Pass Christian (grades K-6), Charles B. Murphy Elementary in Pearl River (grades K-6), Gulfview Elementary in Lakeshore (grades K-6), Hancock High School in Bay St. Louis (grades 7-12) and Hancock County Vo-Tech Center in Bay St. Louis.

Renovations, such as roof work, painting and electrical system work, are being made to all the schools.

The district recently purchased seven new buses with Education Enhancement Funds.

## ALTERNATIVE SCHOOL

The Hancock County School District is developing plans for an alternative school to provide secondary students who are currently experiencing educational failure the opportunity to find success through restructured programming.

The Hancock County School for Success is a proposed year-round school to begin this August for students in seventh through twelfth grades.

"We are developing a program to fit the needs of students who don't fit in a regular class," said Bourgeois. "First, we will locate students who have been expelled from

anticipated at 75 students, with approximately 15 students in a class. Classroom set-ups will include individual work centers and stations.

Programs that will be offered include daily group counseling, cultural literacy, life-work skills, internships, apprentices, art/music/dance/writing and physical education.

She said, "I think the overall benefit of this school will be that every young adult in Hancock County and surrounding counties will have the opportunity to become active and productive adults."

A site for the location of the school has not been decided upon yet.

Bourgeois said, "I'm hoping this school will be used as a national model."

She said the district is completing plans for the alternative school and is awaiting finalization from the State Department of Education.

"They state is hopeful that it will be a pilot program" she said.

## NEW PROGRAMS

The district has established 19 new programs for the 1993-1994 school year.

In addition to the alternative education program, the district has developed the following programs: a Child Care Training Program for infant to toddlers, a Professional Development Academy for Teacher Enhancement, a foreign language program for grades K-3, an Interpretive Center, Mathematics 2000 to provide a highly qualified work force, Multicultural Program for international education and

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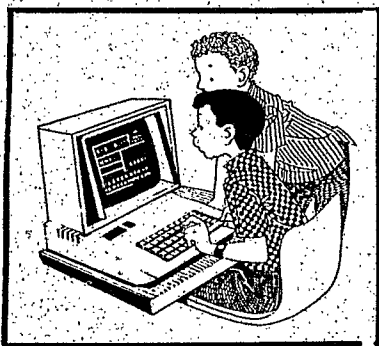
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have if the student enlisted in the military without first completing the ROTC training, Tisdale said.

At this time, he added, about 65 students have shown interest in the program.

The vocal music program was implemented with the establishment of a choral group in mind, but Tisdale said that will take time, since only a few students have enrolled in the program at this point.

With the hiring of an additional English teacher, the school district has enabled the high school to offer French III and Spanish III. Tisdale said the French and Spanish teachers had also been teaching an English course, but now they can teach the advanced language courses.



### ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM

The alternative program, which is required by law, will be designed to work with those students who do not fit into the regular classroom environment for some reason, be it because of learning challenges or behavioral problems.

"Students who may be eligible for the program include those who are slow learners but aren't eligible for special education classes; youth and teens who have been in correctional facilities; students who under other circumstances might be expelled; and students who are behind their classmates academically by two or more years," Tisdale stated. "Of course, it won't be limited to those students; those are just a few examples."

"Many of the students may be able to be 'mainstreamed' into some classes, which means they would be with the alternative program teacher only part of the day. Some students would go to school only part of the day, and would be with that teacher for the time they were at school."

"It would be very difficult these days to find a teacher with endorsements in all the subject areas needed, so that teacher will need to work closely with the other classroom teachers on curriculum development and planning."

At this point, the district has not

advertised for an alternative program teacher.

### CHAPTER 1 MOBILE COMPUTER LAB

The district's Chapter 1 program recently acquired a mobile computer lab that can be used with district students, children at local private schools, and other people in the community.

Debbie Cox, who is moving from the Chapter 1 coordinator position to another post in the district, said the 34-foot classroom on wheels will use 12 computer stations and various other materials to provide remedial instruction in reading and math to parochial students and adult education classes to people throughout the school district. In addition, an instructional library will make available educational materials that parents of Chapter 1 students can check out for use at home.

The motor coach, designed by Centec Learning System of Jackson, was purchased with federal funds that were set aside for capital expenses for non-public school children.

Cox said the motor coach, not yet equipped with the computers, has been used this month as a mobile parent center with the checkout materials. After June 30, she added, the unit will go back to the district's bus maintenance barn until the computers are installed, which should be in September.

### CLASS DAY LENGTH

Although no plans are presently in the works to change the length or configuration of the high school's class day, Tisdale acknowledged the need for the district to consider the matter seriously in the near future.

"The state is increasing its requirements every year, and students who want to take the IHL (Institutions of Higher Learning) courses for college preparation are finding it harder and harder to take everything they want and need."

Students are finding themselves in the position of having to drop some electives, like upper-level language courses, in order to take required courses.

"Also, with the new programs we are adding, we will eventually have to do something. Some schools are going to block courses or college-type schedules where you have some classes three days a week for an hour and other courses two days a week for 1½ hours. We may eventually go to a seven-period class day."

While the administration and school board are studying the matter of changing, possibly lengthening, the high school day, they also are considering shortening the length of the elementary and middle school class days by half an hour to reduce the

time the younger students are on the bus.

Tisdale said this will not only reduce the length of the bus route for younger students, it will also serve to separate the younger students from older ones.

"That's been a real concern for us. What do you do when a parent calls and says his or her second grader is being bothered by a high school junior who wants to sit where the child is? Also, a school bus is a good place for young children to learn words they don't necessarily need to know."

Another possible benefit is that the change may allow the district to



reduce the number of drivers by one or two and use those drivers as substitutes in the afternoon.

There are no definite plans to shorten the elementary and middle school day yet, Tisdale added. The matter is simply under study at this time.



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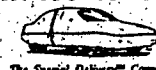
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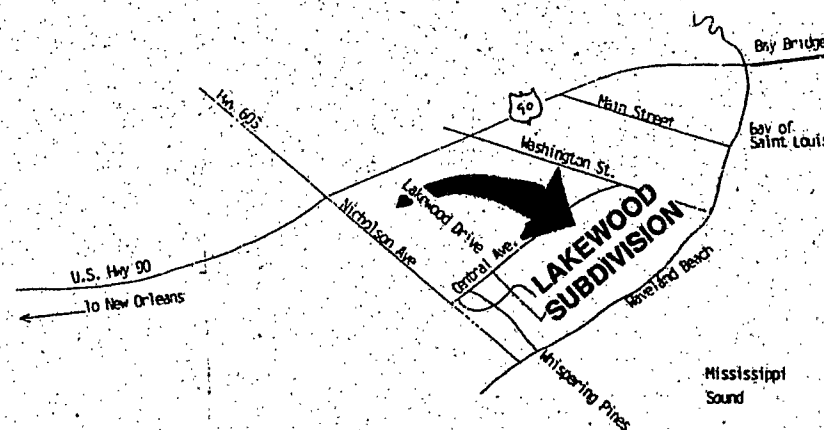
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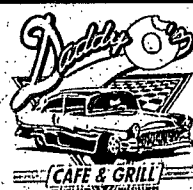
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## Hancock Schools

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Mentor Program in which to increase literacy and self-esteem among students and decrease the drop-out rate. Each student is matched with a mentor.

In an effort to better educate students and increase achievement test scores more efficiently, the fourth, fifth and sixth grade teachers have departmentalized at Charles B. Murphy.

The Even Start Program is for early childhood education with home-based and center-based components. **HANCOCK HIGH**

Hancock High School, an \$11 million, 200,979-square-foot facility, was designed to accommodate a future growth pattern of up to 3,000 students in grades 7-12.

The instructional program is designed to meet the needs of both

*"My dream is that in five years our school doors will never be locked."*

—Bourgeois

Over 80 companies have adopted the Hancock County School System through the Adopt-A-School program.

Two new programs have been added for this upcoming school year to the Vo-Tech Center curriculum, Allied Health and Basic Skills Computers.

The Vo-Tech Center also offers Tech-Prep, a national educational process which combines secondary and post-secondary programs leading to an associate degree or a two-year certificate. It offers the program in conjunction with six other school districts and Pearl River Community College.

She said the district is beginning to lay the groundwork to begin the first Community Education Program in Hancock County, targeting August 1994 to have it in place.

college-bound students and students who will join the work force after graduating.

It offers 80 courses in its curriculum.

Sixty-five percent of Hancock seniors attend college.

Hancock is one of six schools in the state that offers the Jobs for Mississippi Graduates program. This program works with seniors who are not college prep. It teaches the skills necessary to find a job and assists students in job placement matched with the skills and interest upon graduation.

"My dream is that in five years our school doors will never be locked."

"We will have a variety of adult education classes throughout the community," said Bourgeois.

## Port and Harbor Commission

Business is flying at Stennis Airpark

BY TRACI BONNEY

**A**t Stennis International Airport and Airpark, located off Highway 603, business is literally up in the air.

Harold "Buz" Olsen, executive director of the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission, said the airport has witnessed the biggest changes of any of the areas overseen by the commission. The commission operates the county-owned general aviation airport/airpark and the Port Bienville Industrial Park.

The changes at the airport have come because of Casino Magic, which is now bringing in charter passenger flights.

"The first charter came in February 1993," he said. "The number of

flights jumped from six to 16 in one month's time, and we're expecting 18 in July. For August and September, 35 flights each month are projected, and later on we may see some overnight flights come into the airport."

Olsen said the casino also donated a metal detector and x-ray machine to the airport to facilitate passenger screening.

At this time, the airport terminal has five full-time employees and 20 contract employees for things like fire and rescue work, security backup and weather observation.

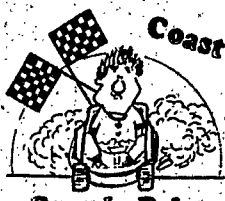
The commission is working to secure more Federal Aviation Administration funding, Olsen said.

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*At a Glance . . .*

Having the highest accreditation rating the state of Mississippi has to offer, the Hancock County School District is committed to preparing all children for the challenges of the 21st century through creative educational programs, an exciting atmosphere for learning, a focus on excellence, and a vision for the future. The district consists of three elementary schools and one high school. We have approximately 3,044 students enrolled in our schools. Hancock High School is an 11,000,000 complex with 200,979 sq. ft. designed to accommodate a future growth pattern of up to 3,000 students in grades 7 - 12. In addition to offering the widest curriculum on the coast, we offer it at the finest facilities in the state of Mississippi. The Hancock County School District has become nationally known for its innovative ideas and curriculum.

- I** \*Alternative Education
- N** \*Child Care Training Program - Infant and Toddler
- O** \*Professional Development Academy (Teacher Enhancement)
- V** \*Foreign Language Program K-2
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- T** \*Mathematics 2000 - Provide a highly qualified work force
- I** \*Multicultural Program - International Education
- O** \*National Innovative Schools Project -Teacher Training/Retraining
- N** \*South Central Bell Project (Parent Training-Science Fair Projects)
- in** \*Tapestry (Toyota - National Science Teachers Association)
- P** Understanding the use of physical science in industry.
- R** \*Technology 2000 Project - Provide students and teachers in K-12
- O** with modern technological equipment to utilize in classroom.
- G** \*Satellite and Distance Education
- R** \*Drug and Alcohol Free Schools and Communities Project
- E** \*Tech Prep - Intergrate Academic & Vocational Education
- S** \*JROTC - Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps
- S** \*New & Innovative Staff Development

### DISTRICT PROGRAMS & SERVICES

Technology - State-of-the-art educational technology throughout the curriculum which places the district as a national model for teaching and learning with computers.

Special Services - Gifted education in grades 7-12 and full range of programs for students with handicaps ages 3-21 (includes programs for developmentally delayed, tutorial assistance, remedial assistance, community-based education, homebound instruction, full-time nurses K-6, employee child care center, parent involvement programs K-12, and others.

Others - Adult education, food services, curriculum development, staff development, federal/state programs, planning & evaluation, district attendance counselor/social worker, transportation, Chapter I & II, Adopt-A-School, Mentor Program.

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# Stennis Space Center

## Multi-million dollar impact on local economy

**D**uring fiscal year 1992, NASA's Stennis Space Center had a total economic impact of \$349 million. Within 50 miles of the space center, the economic impact was \$252.6 million. Within 50 miles of the space center, the economic impact was \$252.6 million.

NASA gathers and compiles economic data from all resident agencies and contractors at Stennis Space Center. The data is then provided to Mississippi State University, where Dr. Charles Campbell, associate professor of economics, analyzes it and provides an assessment of the center's economic impact.

In his report, Campbell stated Stennis Space Center is a significant source of employment and income in the local area. If Stennis Space Center had not been in operation in 1992, considering both direct and indirect effects, a very conservative estimate of reduction in employment for the local area would be 14,916

jobs, the report said.

A similar conservative estimate indicated that personal income would have been reduced by more than \$416 million, and retail sales would have been reduced by \$236.3 million. In addition, it is estimated that Stennis Space Center had a tax revenue impact on local government revenues of \$31 million.

Specifically in the state of Mississippi, Stennis Space Center exceeded \$172.8 million for direct and indirect salaries and \$113.4 million for goods and services in fiscal year 1992. In addition to the 2,979 employees that

resided in the state last year, an additional 7,279 jobs were created in local communities in direct and indirect support of Stennis Space Center activities.

Last year, the majority of Stennis Space Center's 4,130 employees, 1,089 resided in Pearl River County; 923 employees lived in Hancock County, 800 lived in Harrison County and 167 lived in other Mississippi locations.

There are 1,623 employees at Stennis Space Center involved in scientific and engineering fields; 489

are business professionals; 1,187 are technicians or are involved in crafts or production; and 562 hold clerical positions.

One hundred fifty-seven of Stennis Space Center's civil service and military employees hold doctoral degrees; 380 have master's degrees; 665 have bachelor's degrees and 205 have associate's degrees.

The economic impact study information was presented at Stennis Space Center's annual community leaders briefing, which was attended by leaders from throughout the local Mississippi and Louisiana areas.

## Resident agencies are represented at Stennis

John C. Stennis Space Center houses nine resident government agencies.

Included are:

—**Department of Defense** includes Commander, Naval Oceanography Command, Naval Oceanographic Office, Naval Research Laboratory, Mississippi Army Ammunition Plant and the U.S. Army Armament, Munitions and Chemical Command.

—**Department of Interior**

includes USGS Water Resources Division and the USGS National Mapping Division.

—**General Services Administration** State of Mississippi Technology Transfer Office and State of Louisiana Technology Transfer Office.

—**Department of Commerce** includes NOAA National Data Buoy Center and NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service.

—**Environmental Protection**

Agency includes Environmental Chemistry Laboratory and Gulf of Mexico Program Office.

—**Center of Higher Learning** includes Mississippi State University, University of Southern Mississippi, USM Center for Marine Science, University of New Orleans and Pearl River Community College.

—**Institute For Technology Development** includes Space Remote Sensing Center.

## Stennis is home to 10 contractors

John C. Stennis Space Center houses 10 contractors which provide services and technology support.

Included are:

—**Rocketdyne Division of Rockwell International Corp.** is responsible for developmental and flight acceptance testing of the Space Shuttle Main Engines.

—**Pratt and Whitney** supports development testing of newly designed turbopumps for the Space Shuttle Main Engine.

—**Sverdrup Technology Inc.** provides scientific, engineering and technical support to NASA and Stennis agencies.

—**Johnson Controls World Services Inc.** serves as NASA's base operations services contractor, providing support to NASA and resident agencies at Stennis.

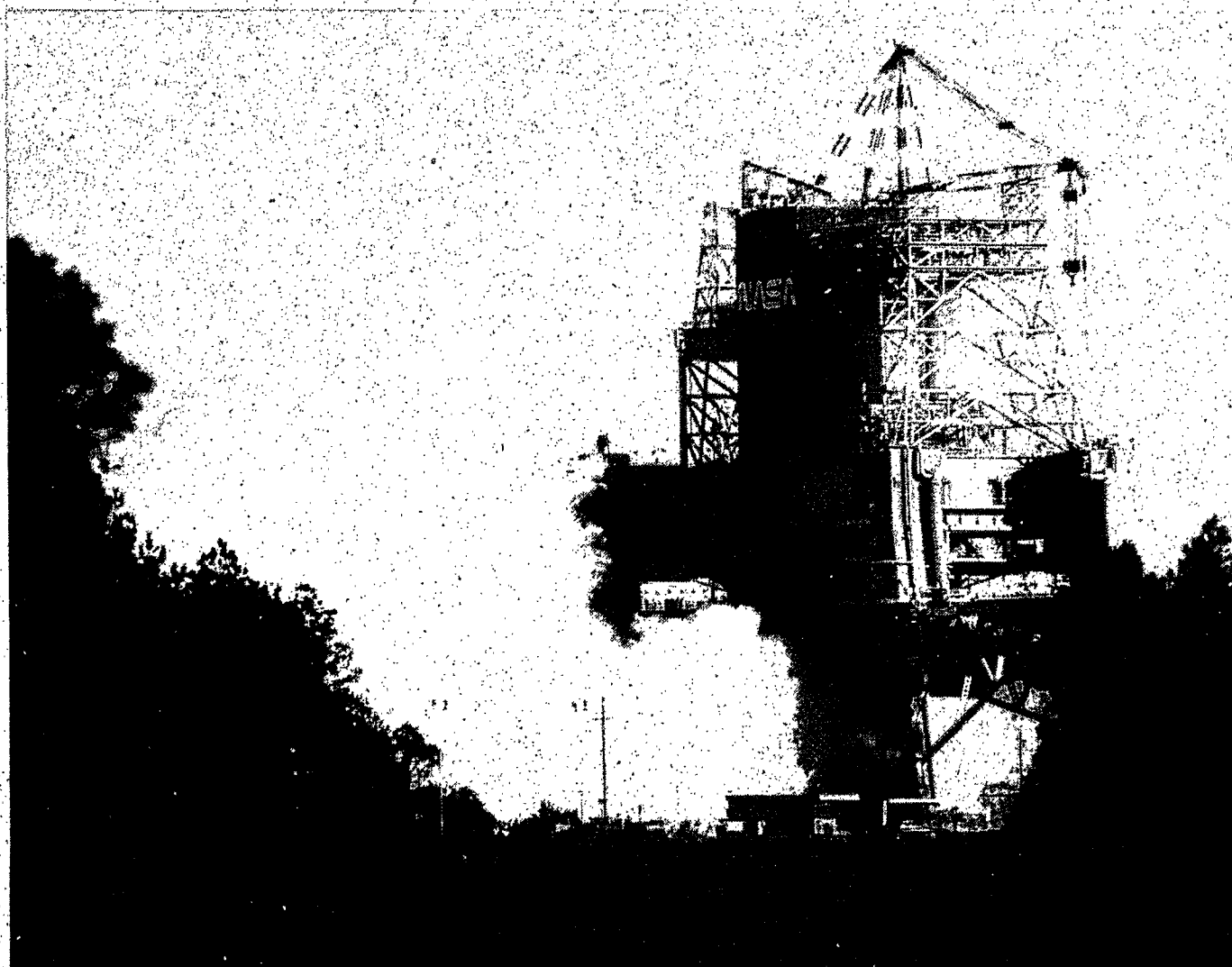
—**Steinhoff and Sadler Inc.**, security services contractor, is responsible for security and protection of all Stennis personnel and property.

—**Computer Systems Technology** provides technical support services for automated data processing equipment and local area networks serving NASA and resident agencies at Stennis.

—**Consolidated Industries Inc.** provides technician support to the propulsion test activities at Stennis.

—**Computer Sciences Corp.** provides engineering and data systems support to the National Data Buoy Center by operating and maintaining data collection platforms and networks.

—**Mason Technologies Inc.** is facilities contractor to maintain the deactivated Mississippi Army Ammunition Plant for the U.S. Army.



Static firing of shuttle main engine at Stennis B-1 Test Stand



# HMC

## County hospital plans for future of local health care

BY TRACI BONNEY

**T**he decision-makers of Hancock County's only hospital are not waiting on President and Mrs. Clinton and company to tell them what to do.

Don Henderson, administrator of Hancock Medical Center (HMC), said the hospital's governing board is already making health care reform a priority.

"We recently began to review the hospital's mission statement in light of national attention on health care reform. We are positioning the hospital to comply to those reforms, when they are issued.

"We plan to increase our primary

to maximize the career potential of individual staff members. "It has improved the morale of the staff tremendously," he commented.

### NEW FACILITIES

The hospital is in the planning processes for an outpatient unit and a medical clinic in Diamondhead. Both facilities will increase HMC's medical capabilities and community outreach.

Henderson said the outpatient project is in its final design phase and will go out for bid in August. The Diamondhead Family Medicine Clinic, which will be located on Gex Drive, is out for bid now.

### BOND REFINANCING



care focus. Instead of trying to expand the hospital's offerings, we feel it will be most beneficial to concentrate on providing excellent basic services."

The hospital, which has operated at its current facility since 1987, presently offers care in orthopedics, emergency services, pediatrics, family medicine, internal medicine, surgery and obstetrics/gynecology.

According to the HMC administra-

One new project for the hospital was a recent bond refinancing that will save HMC some \$4.8 million over the 18-year bond term. Although the county supervisors had a hand in the refinancing process, Henderson stated that the county actually contributes a small amount of the hospital's total funding.

"People have a misconception that the county is footing the bill for this," he said. "The county subsidizes

*"We plan to increase our primary care focus. Instead of trying to expand the hospital's offerings, we feel it will be most beneficial to concentrate on providing excellent basic services."*

—Henderson

tor, "Increasing confidence from the public has resulted in the growth of our services. We don't do brain or cardiac surgery, but other than that, we are a full-service hospital."

Henderson said the hospital has seen a continuous growth since the opening of its Hwy. 90 facility; the staff now numbers 190 members. The physician/medical staff has grown in the last three years from 15 to 23 members, and will most likely gain another obstetrician/gynecologist next year, he added. In addition, a new pediatrician, Dr. David Fontaine, has begun practice.

The hospital's administrators recognize that one of the basics in good management/employee relations is treating the staff with respect and courtesy. Henderson said the facility's senior management members have started working during the past year

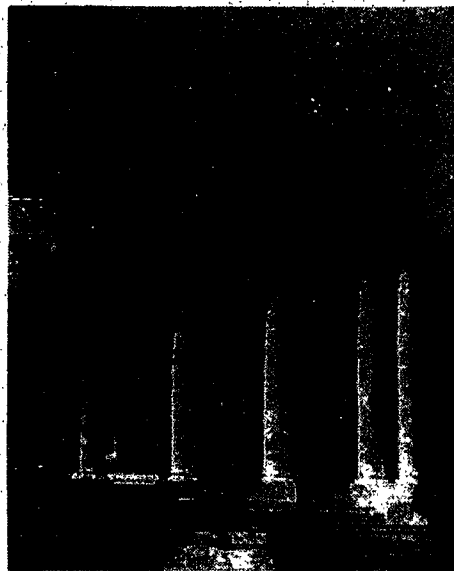
less than one percent of the hospital's operating expenses. The hospital is making the payments on the bonds."

Finances have been something of an issue for the hospital, but not because of problems in HMC's administration. Henderson said the federal government has frozen Medicare payment rates for three years, and he expects that trend to continue.

"This has hurt us some, since about half our business is Medicare right now," he stated. "Fortunately, the money from increased business has helped compensate. Our inpatient business is up about 10 percent, and outpatient and surgical business is up about 30 percent.

"I think that HMC is one of the most cost-effective medical facilities in the area, and we intend to remain that way."

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# Farming

## Hancock farmers generate \$22 million economic impact

BY DAVID A. FARRELL

**H**ancock and Harrison County Area Extension Agent Drew Bates said the estimated economic impact of all Hancock County agricultural crops during 1992 was valued at \$22 million.

Timber remains Hancock County's No. 1 agricultural crop, according to Bates.

The estimated value of the 1992 Hancock County timber harvest was \$5.2 million, Bates said, and, because of higher timber prices, is expected to be even higher for 1993 when preliminary figures are compiled.

The production of cattle and calves trails timber as the county's second most valuable crop, said Bates.

Cattle and calf production in 1992 was valued at \$1.2 million.

The value of cattle and calf production in Hancock County dipped slightly from the 1991 production value of \$1.3 million but is expected to rebound during 1993 because of higher beef prices, Bates said.

Bates said the next most valuable crop was corn, and pointed out that corn production utilized over 1,000 acres in Hancock County, generating 90,000 bushels with a value of \$225,000.

Next came soybeans, which utilized about 800 acres, and generated a crop valued at \$152,329.

Soybeans were once a high volume crop for South Mississippi farmers

but has declined in recent years because of market conditions.

Hancock County soybean yields averaged 34 bushels per acre.

Grain sorghum was close behind soybeans, utilizing about 700 acres and producing a crop worth \$110,000.

The value of hogs produced in Hancock County, like cattle, dipped in 1992 from the 1991 value. The 1992 value was \$93,320 down from the \$112,434 that hogs grossed Hancock County farmers in 1991.

Other Hancock County grown crops and their values were: cotton, 175 acres, \$91,474; wheat, 240 acres, \$36,288; and vegetables, \$13,230. The value of the vegetable crop was also down slightly from 1991.

Bates said future production values will probably include catfish farming, and he added the production of the hay crop should increase, too.

He said the increase in the popularity of horseback riding and the training of horses, sometimes for competition, was increasing the demand for hay, and the county already has some horse farms.

He said some Hancock County farmers are also getting into catfish farming.

He said the trend among area farmers is toward smaller acreage and diversifying the crops they plant and sell. He said the tough economic situation has forced farmers here to

do that, and to search for alternate sources of income rather than depend on just single-source crops.

Bates added that some farmers are moving into the production of tomatoes in green houses.

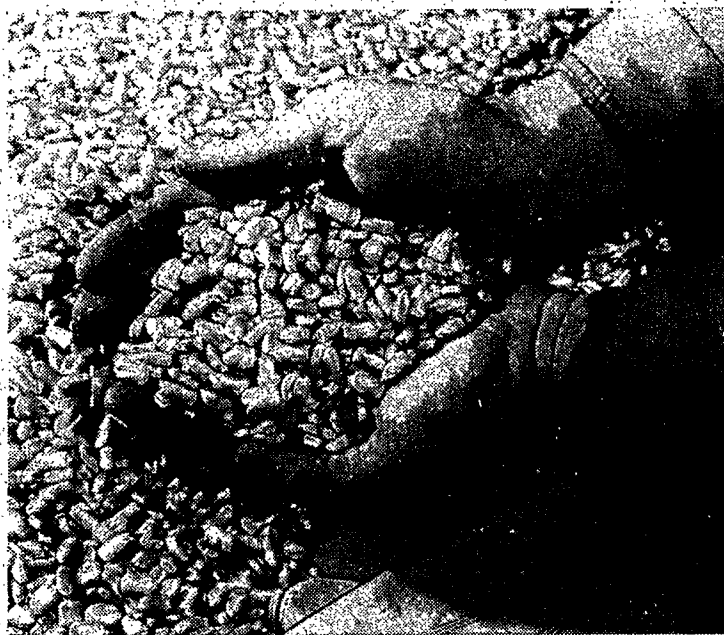
He said small farmers are moving their products on the farmer's market and some sell right out of the field.

Bates added that farmers are having to stay on their toes because of

the economic conditions, but he said good business practices and running an efficient operation helps increase profit margins.

"It has never been easy for farmers, and although we see some increases in prices of some products on the horizon, it will still take the use of good farm management

practices for farmers to do well in today's market," said Bates.



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because expansion and improvements are needed at the airport terminal to address the demands of the passenger traffic.

The airport/airpark — home to the state's second largest runway, a 10,000-square-foot hangar and a number of T-hangers that house small privately-owned aircraft — also has a number of tenants, including: Smith & Smith Aircraft, a machining company; the Hancock County School District Vo-Tech Center; Experimental Aircraft Association, whose members built their own air craft; Aircraft Packaging;

Phillips Aviation, the airport's fixed base operator; Sverdrup Technology Services, a NASA subcontractor; Baker Industries, which manufactures wooden cable reels; Hot Sticks

Manufacturing Co., which makes and markets colored hickory drumsticks; and The Project Hangar, which leases out space to people who have homebuilt aircraft so that they can house and work on their craft.

#### PORT BIENVILLE

The Port Bienville Industrial Park is home to a Weeks Marine ship and 15 companies, including G.E. Plastics Co., Ryan Marine, Star Export Services, Gulf Coast Fabrication, Con Tech Power Systems, Ryan Walsh Stevedoring, Professional Construction Services, Hancock Industries, Gulf Coast Plastics, Scott Paper Company, Eaglebrook, Calgon Carbon Corp., Linea Peninsular, Atlas Powder and Mayabella.

Most of the companies manufacture industrial products ranging from

plastics to activated carbon, from barges to power generator systems. Some are shipping or import/export terminals.

Hancock Industries is unique among the park's residents; it provides vocational rehabilitation training for people who are mentally or physically challenged. The main focus of the training is in dry goods packaging, but the company is also the originator of the "tourist trap," a miniature crab trap sold in souvenir shops.

Gulf Coast Plastics is also different; it does not manufacture plastics, but recycles them.


Olsen said the newest park tenant, Mayabella, contracts for the manufacture and import from the Yucatan peninsula of colorful, hand-crafted

novelty items. The company is, using about 5,000 square feet of space, which Olsen said is about full already.

According to Olsen, business volume has increased for a number of the park's tenants, leading to a need for infrastructure improvements. He said the Port and Harbor Commission has taken on those improvements, especially in the form of \$500,000 in road improvements.

"There is a real need to work on the roads in the park, to make them better for the tenants and people visiting the park," he remarked.

In addition to infrastructure improvements, the commission is working on prospects for several major manufacturers to locate in the industrial park, he added.



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# Chamber of Commerce

## Membership tops 390 mark

BY TRACI BONNEY

**A**s Hancock County continues its growth in both business and population, so also does the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce continue to grow.

Chamber executive director Cindy Vernon said the organization just finished a drive that boosted the membership to 390.

She agreed that part of the county's growth can be attributed to the advent of dockside gambling, but said, "The economy on the whole is on an upswing. I think the economic trend before gaming was going up, although gaming has played a positive part in what we're seeing now."

"The gasoline industry is growing by leaps and bounds because of the increased traffic. We have a new Fast Lane, D&K (on Hwy. 90 across

Gulf Coast Fabrication, has been receiving a steady flow of business, she further reported.

### CHAMBER ACTIVITIES

The Chamber continues to host its monthly Morning Edition breakfast programs with guest speakers from various business and government fields, and is also continuing its advertising/promotional emphasis with new county maps and a four-color brochure extolling the virtues of Hancock County as a great place to visit, a nice place to live and a wonderful place to work.

The brochures are free for the asking in numerous places throughout the county, but the maps do have a small price tag attached, for the first time.

Vernon explained, "We haven't charged for the maps before, but we're finding the production costs are higher, so we are charging a small fee this year. We're giving Chamber members a discount price of \$1 per map; those who aren't Chamber members pay \$2."

"Chamber members also will have a chance to get a free map. They will find a coupon in the next Chambergram that they can redeem for a free map at the office."

She added that a small number of the old maps are still available at the Chamber office in Colonial Plaza, Hwy. 90 in Bay St. Louis, for free.



from Burger King), Shell station (to replace the small self-service station already at Hwy. 90 and Main), and Exxon in Waveland. The Citgo station by Jitney Jungle has expanded, and Todd's on Hwy. 603 relocated to its new, larger facility.

"The hotel and restaurant industries also are benefitting from increased traffic in the county. The Waffles motel on Hwy. 603, for example, doubled its size in one year."

### OTHER INDUSTRIES

Vernon said other industries also are indicating that the economic climate is healthy. Hot Sticks Manufacturing recently relocated from downtown Bay St. Louis to a larger facility at Stennis Airpark off Hwy. 603, expanding its manufacturing potential; the airport itself is seeing a greater volume of business, thanks to Casino Magic's charter passenger flights.

According to Vernon, Calgon officials recently stated that their local plant at Port Bienville Industrial Park (called the Pearl River plant because it is situated on the river of the same name, even though it is in Hancock County) is the most efficient facility the company owns.

Another Port Bienville company,

## Beautification

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throughout the county; a Clean and Beautiful checklist for businesses and industries, and an award for those who put extra effort into cleaning up their businesses; and a number of anti-litter education programs for the elementary schools — a puppet show presented by Cherie Schadler and Bayou Town Puppet Theatre, poster and essay contests, and a book purchased by G.E. Plastics for all the elementary schools in the county, "A Waste Management Curriculum for Schools: Away With Waste in Mississippi," which contains planned lessons for all school subjects.

Another committee project also involves Schadler and her puppets, who are making several anti-litter TV ads with WLOX-TV to be used throughout the state.

"The achievements of the Beautification committee have been through the efforts of every concerned party; beautification is a 'we' project. It has been heartwarming to realize that the community does care about beautification," Cuevas concluded.

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## Bay Development

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The foundation is a member of the national Main Street program, which was founded to assist cities in revitalizing downtown and other older business districts. The national and state organizations fill a number of needs, including training people in the member cities on raising funds through grants and on other practical aspects of city revitalization.

Member cities also have opportunities to exchange information and share insights on their work during regional and national conferences.

Cuevas, who serves a number of functions in the city (including clerk for the city council), said that in her opinion the foundation's biggest accomplishment so far has been the development of a depot revitalization master plan.

### DEPOT DISTRICT

According to Cuevas, the city wants to do more than just renovate the old CSX railroad depot so that it will be more attractive to Amtrak passengers who debark in Bay St. Louis.

"The depot district is a real challenge. We want it to fill the needs of the year-round resident of Bay St. Louis.

"We welcome the visitor and tourist to the city, and we're glad to have those who come to Bay St. Louis by train, but we want to make sure the area around the depot serves our residents as well as our visitors.

"The depot area is the most socially, economically, racially integrated neighborhood in the city, and we want to enhance those qualities as much as possible."

One of the projects the foundation wants to see in the depot area is a business incubator.

"We've been working closely with about a dozen entities, public and private, with this incubator in mind," Cuevas commented.

"Its function will be to assist in developing new businesses and stabilizing existing small businesses so that the owners and staffs can concentrate on manufacturing, selling and improving their products and services.

"We also want to implement education programs geared toward helping people both in the existing job market and in opening their own businesses. We're talking with Pearl River Community College about bringing their nursing and business

technology courses into the area; we want to start a day care training program both for those who want to get a job at a day care center and for those who want to start their own center; and we're speaking with William Carey College about bringing their MBA (master of business administration) curriculum to Bay St. Louis.

"These programs will be useful to the community that is here now and for recruiting industries to locate here. We don't have a college here, but if the industry owners see that their people can continue their education here, that's one more thing in our favor."

The education center and the business incubator will be in the depot district, Cuevas said, although no definite location has been decided upon yet.

### OTHER PROJECTS

While the foundation has focused much energy recently on the depot, the group has not forgotten the downtown area. Cuevas said the board is in the process of choosing

streets, and to move the lines on Beach Boulevard (at least in the downtown area) underground.

"We're working with the power and phone companies right now to find out if that's even feasible," she said. "If we can do it, it will unclutter the look of those two areas quite a bit. It won't be something that will be done quickly, if it's done at all, though."

In addition, the foundation is working on recruiting tenants for three vacant downtown buildings.

"We're looking for the right kind of tenants," Cuevas explained, "to bring into the area just the right mix of retail and service businesses. So we're being very careful about who we approach."

### BUSINESS MATTERS

A committee of the Bay St. Louis Development Foundation recently completed an application for a low-interest loan pool, Cuevas said, and is now working to generate interest among local business owners. The loans would be available for maintenance and improvement of small

and Florida.

The article begins with Bay St. Louis as the first stop on an eastward trek from New Orleans. Sampson captures the flavor of Bay St. Louis wonderfully, from the business development of Hwy. 90 to the charm and atmosphere of the Old Town area. He writes, in part:

"If you pass through just the part of town positioned on the sides of the main highway, it looks like any other string of strip malls and fast-food shops, with a few souvenir shops to remind you that you're near the beach. And there are signs directing you to Casino Magic, to remind you that you can win, lose, or draw 24 hours a day just around the corner. But take a quick left just past the Casino Magic sign, drive just a couple of miles down the road, and you'll find yourself light years away."

Sampson speaks well of the area's bed-and-breakfast inn, restaurants, antiques shops, art galleries, crafts shops and other businesses. Except for omitting directions and distances, he creates a fair walking tour map of the downtown area, and at the same time weaves into his tapestry of words a generous hint of the flavor of the area.

Of course, he does briefly mention other parts of the Mississippi Coast, including Annie's Restaurant at Henderson Point, but his main focus is on Bay St. Louis.

"That is how I know we're doing our job right," Cuevas said, "when a writer comes through here and captures our town so completely, and not from any obligation because we bought an ad."

"So many towns today are facing major problems, especially in incorporating such diverse areas as we have. We do have some problems, but we seem to have found the best of both worlds, and other people are recognizing it. That's what pleases me so much."

Memphis magazine writer seems to agree with Cuevas's assessment of Bay St. Louis's charms. He ended his article with a description of his last day in town:

"At the little coffee shop I stopped into, I talked to a nice gentleman for a while about the events on the front page of the paper and the potential of the train depot reopening

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—Cuevas

designs for new trash receptacles and finalizing a streetscape plan for the downtown area.

"What we have is not a parking problem so much as a parking perception problem," she said. "Visitors don't mind too much parking a couple of blocks down from the beach front and walking around town; they're used to doing that in other areas."

"However, local business owners and employees are accustomed to being able to park at their front doors, more or less, and that's an issue we've been addressing."

"We are finding off-street parking areas for local business people and for visitors, and we're looking at some other possibilities, so we feel that we're making some progress in that area."

Another goal of the foundation's is to have the power and phone lines on the first block of Main Street moved either underground or to side

businesses in the area.

Cuevas said the foundation is interested in other aspects of business enhancement and development as well, particularly in zoning matters. "We want to work with the city's Planning and Zoning Commission as they continue to develop a zoning plan to present to the city council."

The foundation is working to form other partnerships as well, with the county's Port and Harbor Commission and the city/county library system, among others.

She proudly pointed out the June/July issue of Memphis magazine, in which Bay St. Louis received the lion's share of the space in an article about the Gulf Coast. The article was written by two writers, but one of them, Tim Sampson, devoted all of his ink to Bay St. Louis, while the rest of the article covered other Mississippi towns and parts of Alabama

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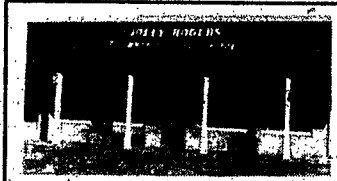
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# Beautification

## Chamber committee has active year

BY TRACI BONNEY

For Chamber Beautification Committee chairman Ellis Cuevas, the past year has been a very gratifying one.

"I have been involved in beautification for more than 20 years, and this past year has been the most rewarding for me, personally," he commented.

What has made the last few months such satisfying ones? The Chamber's Beautification Committee and its many subcommittees (including the Anti-Litter committee chaired by Carol Vegas and the Education committee chaired by Howard Liza-na) made some major steps toward fulfilling the committee's goal for the county to be "Litter Free by '93,"

and county roadways, Cuevas reported. He said the committee continues to recruit sponsors for roads.

Those interested in "adopting" a street should call Naomi Martin at 467-2537 (Bay St. Louis or Waveland); Linne Swilley at 255-3367 or 1-800-367-2271 (the county); or Bob Valigosky at 255-7198 (Diamondhead).

Another successful campaign to stop littering in the county has been the establishment of anti-litter hot-lines. Those who see someone littering may call 255-6234 (Bay St. Louis) or 255-6246 (county) and leave a tip, anonymous if desired, giving the vehicle tag number and litter location or the name, address and location.



through a number of educational and practical programs.

Working with Gulf Coast Recycling and the county supervisors, the committee was able to secure and have installed recycling bins at the John C. Stennis Space Center's south gate, the trash compactor at Chapman and Washington Avenue and at the county barn on Hwy. 43 in the north part of the county.

The committee also was instrumental in working with other organizations to kick off a cleanup effort at Martin Luther King Park, Cuevas said, and has participated in an annual beach cleanup for several years. This year's beach cleanup is slated for September 18; Betsy Ashman is the cleanup committee chairman.

The Beautification Committee's street and highway adoption programs, chaired by Felix "Phil" Seeger, have been very successful in keeping litter down to a minimum along city

A letter will be sent to the vehicle or property owner informing them of the report and reminding them that littering is illegal and can result in a \$250 fine.

According to Chamber executive director Cindy Vernon, no charges are filed at the time of the report, since it is possible that the vehicle or property owner may not have been the guilty party. However, if reports continue on a certain vehicle or address, a charge may be filed and a fine may be levied.

If a law enforcement officer witnesses someone littering, that person will receive a ticket immediately, she added. In fact, Vernon said, Waveland Police Chief James Varnell did ticket someone not long ago because he saw the person dump trash out of a vehicle onto the roadside.

Other Beautification committee programs include anti-litter signs and billboards that have been posted

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# State Parks offer family fun

## Buccaneer's water attractions draw thousands

BY JACQUI COCHRAN

**B**uccaneer State Park, located along the Hancock County beachfront, offers a variety of family activities including a summertime water park complex.

Locals and visitors alike can be seen any day of the week, crabbing, fishing and swimming along the beaches and seawall that front the 386 acres of picturesque woodlands and tidal marshlands.

Colorful legends of smuggling and piracy along the Gulf Coast by Jean Lafitte and his followers lead to the park's naming.

The French buccaneer was said to have even inhabited the old Pirate House, once located in Waveland.

The park site, also known as Jackson's Ridge, was used as a base of military operations by Andrew Jackson during the Battle of New Orleans.

Jackson later returned to the area and built a house on land that is now part of Buccaneer Park.

Since its 1977 opening, the park

has grown to become one of Mississippi's top four revenue generating parks, grossing \$437,641 in 1992.

In addition to primitive campsites, the park has available 500 hook ups for water and electricity, of which 149 also have sewer and cement parking slabs.

Activities include two tennis courts, a basketball court, a shuffleboard diagram and a game room containing video games, pinball machines, pool tables and a tennis table.

A wading pool, up to four-feet deep and separate from the water park, is located near the activity building within the camping complex.

Throughout the camping area are bathhouses, picnic tables and grills. There is a laundry facility and dumping station.

A camp store and souvenir shop is open during the summer months. A non-denominational worship service is conducted every Sunday at 8:30 a.m. from Easter to Labor Day.

Two picnic pavilions are available for use and several picnic tables and grills are located throughout the park. Another area, located under a canopy of trees and across from the beach, is available for day visitors and offers picnic tables, grills and playground equipment.

Buccaneer's water park complex contains a wade pool with cascading water, a wave pool and double-

flumed water slide.

The wave pool is surrounded by multi-level decking ideal for sunbathing, an observation deck, showers, rafts and a fast food service.

All fee collected are sent to the state Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks Commission. Each park is budgeted yearly depending on size and needs.

Plans for another water slide and

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## Buccaneer State Park

Day use entrance pass.....	\$2.00
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## Buccaneer

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a 'lazy river' ride are future additions planned.

Buccaneer supports four permanent rangers, a clerk, four permanent maintenance personnel and about 30 part-time workers.

In 1992 the park welcomed 177,632 visitors of which 34,789 were water park users and 59,144 were campers.

## McLeod State Park

BY JACQUI COCHRAN

**S**pread among 328 acres of rolling woodlands and divided by the Jourdan River, McLeod Park offers a serene retreat for locals and visitors.

The park was named in honor of Albert J. and Virginia 'Aunt Gin' McLeod.

Albert McLeod was a pioneer timberman from South Carolina who settled on the Jordan River location in the early 1900's.

Here he established a large sawmill, stove mill, planer mill, turpentine plant and general mercantile store, employing about 500 people.

Following his death in 1931, operation of the old store was continued on a limited basis by Aunt Gin, until her death in 1973 at the age of 95.

Albert McLeod was also a member of the county Board of Supervisors and a member of the original commission appointed to build the Hancock County seawall.

The property itself is within the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) buffer zone surrounding John C. Stennis Space Center.

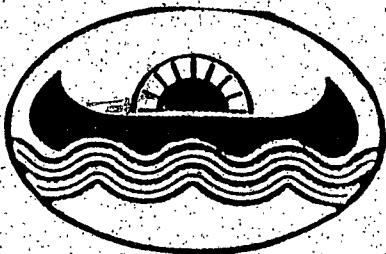
The Pearl River Basin Development District accepted the park's deed with the obligation to condition development of park facilities.

The Pearl River Basin Development District is a special fund agency of the State of Mississippi engaged in programs of pollution, abatement, recreation development, soil conservation and other programs of development throughout its 15-member county area.

The McLeod Park development is being accomplished under the district's Pearl River Boatway Program. This plan envisions a series of water

Park manager Greg Smith reported, "Between January and February of this year (1993) we have averaged 80 visitors per day."

"I don't know if it is because of better weather, or because Florida has gone up so high on their seniors' service rates, but our business has doubled since last year."



parks adjacent to and near the Pearl River and its main tributaries from Nanih Waiya to NASA.

McLeod offers 70 camping sites. Forty-one of those sites have water and electrical hook ups. There are no sewer hook-up facilities.

The park has two pavilion areas with picnic tables and grills, a baseball field and boat launch.

The Jourdan River empties into the northern waters of the Bay of St. Louis.

Canoes and paddle boats are available for daily rental.

In fiscal year 1992, the park totaled \$51,562 in revenues and welcomed 21,410 visitors.

The park's entrance can be found north of I-10, off Highway 603, south of the Jourdan River and west along Texas Flat Road.

Camping, semi-monthly.....	\$85
.....electric and water.....	\$8
.....electric and water, on river.....	\$10
.....primitive (tent or van).....	\$5
.....primitive (group areas, 1-3 tents).....	\$15

Day use, car load.....	\$2
.....walk in, per person.....	\$1
.....bicycle.....	\$1
.....motorcycles, two-wheel only.....	\$2
.....buses, per person.....	\$50
.....visitors pass.....	\$1
.....boat launch.....	\$2
.....pavilion, ballfield, per person.....	\$1

Night use, per vehicle.....	\$1.00
.....per person.....	\$1.00

Pavilion rental, large.....	\$45.00
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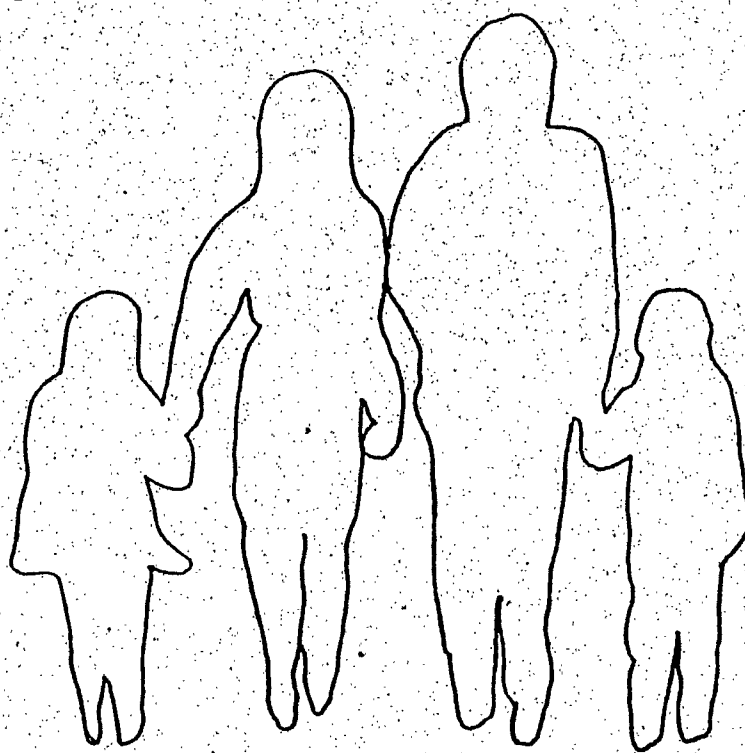
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# Casino Magic

County's newest industry also its largest

BY TRACI BONNEY

Even Casino Magic president Marlin Torguson seemed surprised to find out how large his payroll is — 4,219 employees, with 2,669 in Bay St. Louis and 1,550 in the new Biloxi casino.

Although the casino is one of the county's newest industries, it is easily the largest in terms of numbers employed. If all goes according to plan, it may well be the physically largest of the county's businesses by the time construction is finished.

Torguson and his staff are bringing to life the dream of Charles Lambert of Lambert Land Co., the former owner of the property which is now home to the county's only casino. Lambert had envisioned a destination resort, but had not found the right "hook" for it. When dockside gambling was legalized in Hancock County December 4, 1991, he realized he had that hook.

However, he did not have the resources to completely realize his dream, so he sold the land to Casino Magic Corporation, which has other holdings in Minnesota and South Dakota.

With the casino in place and running, Casino Magic Corp. is focusing on other aspects of the 500-acre resort, such as the golf course and academy, the hotel, restaurants, recreational vehicle park, convention center, marina and sand beach.

## GOLF COURSE

Torguson said the golf course, putting course and golf academy are his major projects at this time.

"We're doing millions of dollars of preliminary work on the hotel and the golf course, including acquiring the land for the course and doing some aerial flyovers to survey that land."

The golf course, which is being designed by golf great Arnold Palmer, will have 27 holes. The Arnold Palmer Golf Academy, a fairly new concept in the U.S. and certainly new to the Mississippi Gulf Coast, will employ trained instructors who will give golf lessons to individuals who want to improve their game. Torguson said those registering in the academy may come for three days, a week or longer, depending on how much instruction they want.

The academy will include a two-ended driving range; one end will be used only by academy instructors and students, and the other will be open to the general public. The academy will combine classroom instruction and on-the-course training so students can make practical application of the lessons they learn.

Golf pro Joel Jacobson is already on the payroll with Casino Magic. The former pro at Little Crow golf club in Spicer, Minn., will bring his wife, two daughters and son to their new home in Waveland in August.

## HOTEL, CONVENTION CENTER

The 1,500-room hotel will be constructed in more than one phase, but the first phase will include 750 rooms, 56 of which will be suites;

some restaurants, retail shops and meeting space.

"We plan to recruit a large volume of meeting business," Torguson commented. "This area has so much to offer: New Orleans and all its attractions to the west, and the sand beaches, shops and recreation to the south and east. There is a lot to do here, and even more now, with the casino."

However, he was quick to add, the hotel will generate its own profit.

"This is not going to be a not-for-profit hotel, as people tend to think some of the ones in Nevada and Atlantic City are. The hotel will make its own money independent of the casino. Our rooms will not be cheap, but they will be moderately priced."

Eventually, the resort will have a convention center to accommodate those meetings even better. Torguson said the convention center will seat 8,000 to 9,000 people and will be about 70,000 square feet.

According to Bill Holmes with the Mississippi Coast Coliseum Convention Center, that facility has about 100,000 square feet, of which 85,000 is meeting space and can seat up to 7,000 people. The other 15,000 square feet is take up with kitchens, storage space, restrooms and other features of the facility.

## RESTAURANTS

The casino already has a food court that sells a number of items, including pizza, and a dining room on the Magic Too, which sailed into Bay St. Louis as the Casino Belle. However, the Belle is not a permanent fixture, but will be moved out of state to another casino by September 15.

In the meantime, Torguson said, Casino Magic has purchased two more barges to add onto the casino and the dining area. The barges are 300 feet long each and, when welded together, will be 110 feet wide. A two-story structure will be built on them and incorporated into the existing building.

"Once we get the building up on those barges, there's no way we can get them back through the bridges," Torguson said. "We won't be going anywhere."

With the additional barges, the gaming floor alone will have more than 33,000 square feet of space, Torguson said.

Plans for future restaurants include a steak-and-seafood establishment and a McDonald's, like the one at the Casino Magic Biloxi facility.

"We didn't go looking for that one," he commented. "McDonald's came to us. I was honored that they



asked."

## RV PARK AND MARINA

The recreational vehicle (RV) park at Casino Magic is beginning to take shape, with 40 units complete. The first phase of the park, slated to open in July, calls for 100 units; two more phases will complete the park at 300 units.

Torguson said the park will include a registration area, shower and bathroom facilities, and a laundry facility.

Casino Magic has started some improvements on one dock of the marina. Torguson said that as the hotel, which will be near the marina, is built, more work will be done at the marina.

The marina eventually will have at least 100 slips and will be able to accommodate both small boats and large yachts.

## SAND BEACH

"We plan to create our own sand beach with indoor and outdoor pools, tennis courts and an 18-hole putting course designed by Arnold Palmer," Torguson stated. "We recognize that not just gamblers will be coming here, but families as well, and we want to offer something for everyone."

"The putting course, for instance, will not be a miniature golf course with the windmills and all that. It is a putting course, complete with hazards you have to play around. It's a concept that has become very popular in the U.S. in recent years."

## OTHER PLANS

Other than continuing construction and development of the resort itself, which should take five to seven years to complete, plans include four-laning the access road and extending it to Hwy. 90 (it presently connects to Bluemeadow Road, which goes to the highway), landscaping the development as it grows, and continuing to expand Casino Magic's operations in other areas of the country.

However, no matter where else Casino Magic may go, it will call Bay St. Louis home, Torguson said.

"This is our corporate headquarters," he stated, "so as we grow in other places, so will the payroll here as we see the need to hire more people."

## Law

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of the jail's operating budget, Peterson said.

"We receive \$600,000 to \$700,000 a year from INS," he stated.

The Bay St. Louis Police Department has increased its patrols so that there usually are three patrols on the streets and a supervisory staff (one lieutenant and two sergeants) at the station during each shift.

Although the department has a community relations officer, Don Ocho, who is active in working with county youth programs, McNeil said he wants to have an officer trained to work with the schools on the D.A.R.E. (Drug Awareness and Reha-

bilitative Education) program.

The Bay St. Louis Police Department recently purchased eight new vehicles, all of which will be marked patrol cars. In addition, McNeil said, the department is re-marking all its other marked cars with a reflective material. The goal, he explained, is to increase the department's visibility in the area.

Another project with that goal in mind is the establishment of a summertime beach front patrol with an officer and a four-wheeler.

"The officer will be out there for visibility and public relations as well as law enforcement," McNeil

commented.

## TRAFFIC PROBLEMS

The beach front has proven to be something of a problem for Waveland, but not because of crime. Varnell said high traffic on Beach Boulevard has resulted in accidents; in at least two cases, children were struck by vehicles. The increase in traffic on Hwy. 90 to the casino has caused more accidents as well, he added.

"To combat the problem, we're being more active in patrolling both areas and in issuing citations to traffic law violators," Varnell stated.



# Tourism & Gaming Assn.

Promotion is the name of the game

BY TRACI BONNEY

For the Hancock County Tourism and Gaming Association, the current catchphrase is "Sell! Sell! Sell!" — sell the attractions of the county to tourists, that is.

The two-year-old association, which was formed during the infancy of the dockside gambling industry in the county, now boasts more than 2,200 members and is turning its focus toward tourism in general, according to T&GA president Donald Saucier.

"Our main thrust has been in advertising," he said. "We took out an ad that highlights the county in the Coast Transit Authority trolley brochure, and we're looking at other advertising plans."

*"We're looking for new ways to bring the tourist dollar here..."*  
—Saucier

The CTA ad he referred to is a full-page (the brochure's pages are 3"x5"), four-color promotion of the county, listing 15 reasons why it is "THE place to be."

Other advertising plans include a \$5,000 contribution to the Miss Teen USA pageant so that Hancock County will be highlighted during the pageant's coverage; and two 30-second television ads, now in production, which will appear in a number of cable TV markets within driving distance of the county.

"We're looking for new ways to bring the tourist dollar here," Saucier commented, "and we're hoping these ads do that by showing people everything the county has to offer, not just gaming, although it is having an impact on the county in the way of more jobs and, from what I've seen, a better attitude in general in the county."

"From my own experience as a business owner (he owns the Sand Box beach- and casualwear store on Beach Blvd.) and from the conversations I've had with other business owners around town, we seem to be doing better in tourism this year."

"The tourist season started earlier this year, that's for sure. It usually

doesn't start until Memorial Day weekend, but this year I think it started around March or April."

A big draw for tourists in recent years has been the Beach Front Festival. In the past, it was held in late spring or early summer, but this year it will be August 8, Saucier said.

He explained that the festival, which the T&GA will co-sponsor, will be different in some aspects this year: the festival area will be only on Beach Blvd. from DeMontluzin to the railroad bridge; there will be no admission charge and no vendors from outside the area.

Saucier said the restaurants and lounges on Beach Blvd. will be encouraged to set up food and drink booths, and the other businesses on the street will be encouraged to display some of their merchandise for sale.

There will be bands, as in the past, but there will also be more family- and children-oriented activities, he added.

In addition to its work to promote the county, the Tourism & Gaming Association is making efforts to promote closer relations among its own members.

"We're scheduling a number of social mixers for members and their guests throughout the summer," Saucier said, "starting with a luau at Waveland Resort Inn in July."

Meanwhile, the association also keeps its members informed about various issues in the state and county through its regular meetings, which feature guest speakers from government and business fields.

"In the coming years, I see us continuing to focus on advertising, sometimes directly and sometimes as consultants for other groups or organizations," he concluded.

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and how good the fresh crawfish at the Big E Grocery had been. After he shook my hand and paid his tab and said it was time to go to the office, the waitress called out to him, "See you at lunchtime, Senator." "It's just that kind of town."

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